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"I am prouder of the part I have been permitted to play in the work of the Red Cross than of anything else in my life".

(Major Grayson, former A.R.C. Commissioner for Europe.)

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for the Chapter,
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Apologia.

It is not claimed for the accompanying historical sketches of the war work of the Fort Wayne Chapter of the American Red Cross, that they present an absolute nor complete summary. Neither is it offered to the future as a piece of literature. Undoubtedly much has escaped record which it would have been advantageous to have preserved here. Doubtless it might have been more inspired in its language. There may be occasional inelegancies of grammar, awkward expression of facts. There may even be minor errors of statement in it. Probably in the attempt to do justice to every part of the work there has been failure here and there, to reach the goal.

It is, and will certainly seem to many, very imperfect, missing in detail and feeble in tribute. Yet it has been done with faithfulness to every source of information, and sincere appreciation of every part and every worker. It has been your historian's purpose to tell the whole story without prejudice or favor, to give honor where honor is due, ascertaining correctly the facts upon every mooted point, and bringing to light every meritorious item of service in the entire county, regardless of by whom performed, feeling convinced from her own experience in Red Cross war work in our community, that there was but one motive in every heart and in every part, and that, little or great, the work of each individual and of each department was, in its time and place, the best that was in each to give, and the most that circumstances permitted them to give.

To the officials of the Red Cross Chapter, and the heads of all its departments, and the captains of all its units who furnished their quota of material for these sketches, the historian expresses her gratitude for their co-operation. To those who failed to respond with data and names, regret is also tendered. To the Editors of this little history, without whose counsel and sympathy the task had failed, and to Mr. B.J.Griswold, without whose collection of valuable data the Red Cross Auction Chapter could not have been included, and for many good words from others is attributable the credit of this preservation of Red Cross War Work in Allen County.

To preserve the spirit, and something of the enthusiasm, of patriotic exaltation of those teeming days in the Chapter House (still resurgent in our hearts when the work of writing it down was begun,) as an inspiration to our sons and daughters in years to come has been the purpose of that writing, and trusting that that purpose will at least approach fulfilment, the quill is now laid down.

Isabelle H. Taylor,
Fort Wayne, Indiana,
September 7th, 1919.

Note: Nine years after, re-copying these records, that they may be accessible to readers who deserve the privilege of perusal, The Historian finds little to change, and has made no changes. What is struck off at white heat has a character easily lost in the finishing process. It is truth, and if not impeccably told, it still is history. - I.H.T.

THE BUILDING AND THE BUILDERS.

Notwithstanding the mist with which the passage of time hides much that is desirable to be seen, there is an advantage in restrospect, a clearer perspective and a truer appreciation of real values which does not pertain to the dust and din of today. Seldom is the artistic quality of architecture apparent while the scaffolding bristles on the façades and obscures the frescoes of nave and dome, and rubbish and building débris litter every level.

Imagine a skilled workman, whose feet have brought him back a spectator, to some scene of former labor; who stands in contemplation of a cathedral with whose every arch and pillar he is familiar because his handicraft, with that of many others was expended in the making of it. Because he is a good workman he had enjoyed his labor in fitting tenet into mortise, in producing the glassy surface of that marble balustrade, or the satin smoothness of the rood and chancel. Many times his body had been weary; his ears dull with the endless din of chisel and hammer; his nostrils smarting with the dust which flew from smitten block. Not for him, at that moment, whose eye must watch his step warily on the dizzy, disfiguring scaffold he trod in the performance of his part, were Gothic arches, gleaming marbles and lines of beauty.

But that was years ago. Coming back, now, he sees the finished work, and it is as if he saw it all for the first time. It is the veritable temple he helped to build; but, with all the sordid, noisy, unbeautiful but necessary paraphernalia of building forever removed, it stands forth revealed in its inherent beauty and nobility. Inherent, because the beauty and the nobility were there in the soul of the architect who conceived it when the marble still lay deep in the quarry, the oak untouched by woodman's ax, and because it endured there throughout the strife and tumult of construction. His eyes are filled with the wonder of its lofty grace and strength. Once more under that vast roof, his ear, quickened by a profound stillness, hears the harmony flooding the nave as from some choir invisible. Weariness and strife and din are forgotten. Every fibre of his being is athrill with the glory of achievement. For out of the labor of hands like his came all this beauty. He is a part of the Temple. He knows, now, the ultimate purpose of all that strife and din and weariness, and all of it is beautiful and worthy.

And so it comes over us, of the Red Cross Chapter of Fort Wayne, that no really great work was ever accomplished, no lasting edifice reared nor organization effected upon a foundation of roses and lilies and daffodils, with pretty compliments attached. Strenuous effort is invariably accompanied by aggravated friction and perspiration and groans, as well as by cheery "heave-hos". That the axeman who hews

to the line' has scant regard where the chips fall, is a trite old saying. That there should have been blunders in small things; overlapping of motives and overstepping of department lines, which at the time appeared in the light of encroachments; that there should have been rivalries, and differences of opinion, and other trifling phases of human nature, was as inevitable as it was insignificant. In the clear light of retrospect we realize, now, that nothing really signified except the great fact that through all the stress and strife of the constructive period, and the endless adjustment of details, the great common heart of Fort Wayne and Allen County was sending out its ever widening stream of relief to the wounded and the suffering, and knitting our people into a unity we never felt before, and which we pray may never be dissolved. Each one of us is a part of our Temple of the Red Cross, for its walls are built of clasped hands.

"THE WORLD'S INTERNATIONAL IDEAL OF MERCY"
THE AMERICAN RED CROSS
National and Local.

"March 16, 1919, was the 37th Birthday of the American Red Cross" (Red Cross Calendar.)

When Clara Barton lighted that little candle so many years ago, it is doubtful if even her prophetic vision pictured the far places which its beams should some day reach. But, belonging to the wise ones of earth she did not light the candle in a corner, nor hide it under a bushel lest a wind should blow it out. She set it, instead, upon a high hill. It took her twenty years of patient, vigilant waiting to get it placed, at last, where she desired it to stand, on a pedestal established by the United States Government, from whence no power save the dissolution of the Government might ever remove it. Twenty years, from 1862 to 1882, following the powerful opposition of Secretary of War Stanton, Miss Barton trimmed and guarded that candle whose flame was a Red Cross, signifying a service that should reach impartially in all directions, for the relief of human suffering in times of famine, pestilence, natural calamity or the horror of war.

Its day of opportunity was long in coming. Beginning at a date in our national history when America was exulting in its achievements in the civil world; when it rode high on the crest of a huge wave of prosperity; when each unit of the population was so pre-occupied with the pursuit of its own welfare that its neighbor was temporarily forgotten; when the long absence of national calamity had lulled the public senses into lethargy, the gleam of the American Red Cross fell on unresponsive souls, except for the comparatively small number who came into accidental personal touch with Miss Barton and her original limited following.

So weak in numbers was the national body of the Red Cross that its few openings, the Mississippi floods, the yellow fever scourges of the southern cities, could not provide a demonstration of its workings sufficiently wide to attract the public attention it needed. Then, in 1898, during the Spanish American war, the opening of an avenue to the heart of America appeared. The emergency was short, but the light of the Red Cross was gratefully carried home by many a soldier and army physician from the fever camps of the South and Cuba. But even after that the people at large had only very vague notions of the Red Cross and its mission. It had to do with acts of mercy, of course. It had also to do with nurses, or nursing, and doctors and hospitals were mistily connected with it in the public mind. Its insignia was very attractive, and, ignorant of its specific, proprietary nature, it was loosely appropriated by almost any branch of humane service, or as catchy advertising emblem. It began quite generally to be a pet emblem of hospitals and physicians who had no official titles to its use--all this a result of lack of information or of inattention to such information as might have been obtainable upon inquiry.

Then, about 1906, the American National Red Cross began the publication of a monthly bulletin which gave publicity to its scope and character, and which later developed into the Red Cross Magazine. Through this magazine the American public has been gradually educated into a knowledge of the spirit of service which is the underlying motive of the Red Cross. It became aware that the American Red Cross was a living fact, not a sentimental legend; a body which carried relief not only to wounded and sick soldiers in time of war and battle, to yellow fever swamps of the South; but to sufferers from earthquake, fire and flood. It went to the rescue not only of San Francisco, Galveston and the Mississippi valley, but it sought out the haunts of the insidious White Plague.

The Red Cross Christmas stamp, without doubt, was the messenger that brought the actuality of the American Red Cross home to average consciousness. It was the first tangible "evidence of things not seen". Through the annual sales of these Red Cross seals, which have financed the fight against tuberculosis, and which began in the United States not earlier, we believe than 1907, and spread like wildfire through the larger cities of the states in 1908, the public mind was enlightened with the truth that the American Red Cross was a Society under Government protection and patronage and accountable to the Government, and that its integrity and impartiality were as unimpeachable as the Government itself.

It still seemed very remote from ourselves, however, appearing to be controlled by a select few at Washington, or by perhaps a still more exclusive set at the state capitols, to whom we, locally, might speak only in regard to little Christmas stickers. We approved, wholly, of the stickers, and sold and bought them with great and growing enthusiasm; and we were deeply grateful for the results in anti-tuberculosis works. In other fields, -well, the Associated Charities attended

to that. Even the flood of 1913 did not awaken us. "The Red Cross" might be an agent of relief in other cities, but we in Fort Wayne were proudly conscious that we had managed our own relief work and were confident that we could do it again. We utterly failed to absorb that lesson, nor sense the moral importance of forming a local chapter. If we thought about it at all, we may have imagined that unless Washington called and elected us, it had no use for us. We were drifting.

Then war broke out in Europe. Inconceivable horrors followed one after another, calling for human sympathy and aid. Almost we heard with our physical ears the wails of homeless, helpless starving refugees and the groans of wounded and dying men. There is no place here for a recital of that. We need only say that in the terrible days when men were being mangled and gassed by thousands, the The Red Cross Service was the first and almost the only star of hope. True, we were not then in the war, but the sense of duty to our neighbor was being quickened by their frightful need. Also, many an American boy was known to be fighting "over there" for humanity's sake, and many an American heart was torn with helpless dread in consequence. A troubled unrest began to seethe in the breast of America. Under all the outward straining at neutrality and normality, something in us trembled, unrecognized, toward upheaval. A hatred of our Middle West inactivity, a contempt for a neutrality that withheld us from succoring the Allied Nations whose men were dying for the sake of human liberty and rights, spread from heart to heart, unvoiced--but ready for the spark. And still, when we thought of "Red Cross" we looked toward Washington, under an undefined impression that we were too far from the seaboard to reach across the Atlantic.

"BE YE THEREFORE READY!"

At this point, November, 1916, a field worker, Mr. Walter Davidson, sent out by the Chicago Division of the A.R.C., visited Fort Wayne to establish, if possible, a point of contact between the American Red Cross and the Fort Wayne public. The point was discovered in Rev. Arthur J. Folsom, of Plymouth Congregational Church. From this point the story of the American Red Cross in Fort Wayne becomes a recital of concrete facts, beginning with Mr. Folsom's promise to entertain a preliminary meeting at his study, at which Mr. Davidson should present the Red Cross appeal for organization.

A meeting was advertised in the three daily newspapers of the city, for the date of December 8, and as large a number of representative men and women as could be reached by telephone were invited to attend. When the hour of the meeting arrived, at 8: p.m., a wild storm of wind and rain was raging, which took hearts courageous to face, and of all who were bidden to the meeting, only twenty persons, including Mr. Davidson, were present. But--

"By many or by few!"

Mr. Folsom ,chairman for the evening, stated briefly and directly the object of the gathering. He said that the call to organize was not a war call,for we were not in war;but that it was a call to prepare for human service. And he added

"We pray that there may be no war;but,if war comes, it must find us ready!"

The origin and scope of the American Red Cross was then presented by Mr. Davidson in a clear,concise manner,and the meeting at once proceeded to the preliminaries of organization.A petition blank asking for permission to organize a local chapter of the A.R.C. was filled out and agreed to by every person present. As it happened,only eleven of the names went Washington, as no more could be accommodated on the blank, but as the agreement was unanimous the entire personnel of the meeting is included in the charter membership, which will be found in the appendix.

The chairman then appointed a committee of three(Mr. Will H.W.Peltier. Mr. Frank M. Cutshall and Dr. Jessie C. Calvin,chairman,) to draft a set of by-laws in accordance with the models to be obtained from Washington,and to select a ticket of officers to be voted upon at the next meeting, which should be called at the earliest possible date; and the meeting adjourned.

The city papers reported the substance of the meeting the following day,and then, while the committee awaited credentials from Washington, silence fell for the duration of the holiday period of 1916-17. The general public almost forgot the matter.

But the still waters were running,down deep below the surface. The sample by-laws arrived from Washington,accompanied by permission to organize, and the committee met and drafted the local by-laws on the evening of January 12, 1917. They discovered that to be the lesser part of their duties. Lest any misguided bystander of the day should have received the impression that there was an immediate scramble for official position in the new organization,it is specifically stated that the naming of a slate of officers occupied nine-tenths of the committee's attention from December 8,1916, to January 15,1917; and when at last the second public meeting had been called,only a chairman had actually agreed to "serve if demanded"--and his consent had been hard won. The remainder of the slate was practically empty. Certainly no one was eager to assume what each began to feel was to be a serious responsibility. A wide open call to the meeting had been issued- but the public did not rush in! It was, in fact, a very small meeting. Again Mr. Folsom acted as chairman, and Miss Irene Byron was appointed secretary pro tem. The By-Laws were adopted section by section,unanimously; and then,despite much protesting and reluctance,the officers of the new chapter were elected,and a board of directors named in groups of twelve,to be elected in rotation, one twelve at each annual meeting,the ex officio directors to be selected by the main body in accordance with the charter of the Central Committee and the By-Laws. All of which ,reported to the Director-General of Civilian Relief of the A.R.C., at Washington D.C., resulted,January 22, 1917, in the recognition of the "Fort Wayne Chapter of the American Red Cross" being vested

with "authority to serve as such in conformity with the Charter and By-Laws of the American Red Cross". So was our calling and election made sure. The Red Cross ship was ready for the luanching, but the lubricant for the runways, the fuel for the engines, were wanting. The crew had not yet been assembled. The officers applied themselves to the study of these details with diligence but without haste.

Then the news flashed along the wires of the country that the Government had severed diplomatic relations with Germany. (It is remembered that, upon that Sunday, Rev. Henry B. Master had preached from Jeremiah 4:19, "Thou hast heard, O my soul, the sound of the trumpet, the alarm of war".) A telegram from Central Red Cross Headquarters followed upon the heels of this news, advising the Chapter to begin definite work immediately, and to inaugurate an aggressive membership campaign without delay.

In response to this summons to the standard the first official meeting of the Board of Directors was called, February 6, 1917, the chairman, B.Paul Mossman present and presiding for the first time. The recognition of the Chapter was read by the secretary, Dr. Jessie Calvin, and the chairman read the telegram from Central headquarters calling us to action. If the officers had felt the seriousness of their undertaking before, they felt the solemnity of it now.

Two committees were decided upon, and the chairman for each elected, Mrs. A.E.Fauve being nominated for the Membership committee, and Rev. H.B.Master for Publicity. Both were unanimously elected. Organization of further committees was held in abeyance for the time being, until the co-operation of these two should have provided the the sinews of service, and the work of the Membership committee was made paramount for the hour. Of that memorable campaign it need only be said that the goal of "Five Thousand for Fort Wayne" was reached and passed.

As events hurried the nation, which even yet was dreaming of peace, into the maelstrom of war, the need of a headquarters or Chapter House became pressing. The two great committees, "First Aid" and "Instructions to Women" (or as it may be referred to, "The Committee of Fifteen"), were appointed by Chairman B. Mossman at the meeting of March 23, 1917, Dr. Niles F. Porter, sr., named chairman of the first, and Mrs. A.L.Johns of the latter.

Mrs. Johns, accompanied by Mrs Fauve, and E.C.Miller, chairman of the Board of Directors visited Chicago to observe the methods in operation in the Red Cross workshops there, for the benefit of the local Chapter, and to obtain information of a helpful characterregarding the conduct the conduct of the different classes for women. This committee paid its own expenses.

Nebulous as was the local conception of the tremendous work ahead of them, it seems now as if some higher power than mere human judgment had taken the chapter in charge. In the

search for a headquarters an entire building was offered, rent free, for an indefinite period, at 126 East Berry street, the offer coming from Mr. John P. Evans, and at the Executive Committee meeting of April 5, 1917, was presented and gladly accepted. Mrs. A.E.Fauve was made chairman of the Chapter House work. Also, on behalf of the Committee of Fifteen, Miss Johnson, of Boston, was authorized to be called to Fort Wayne to instruct a class in Surgical Dressings.

The headlines of the next morning's papers announced:

"I T I S W A R !"

Every loyal heart in Allen county responded to the shock.

THE INITIAL DRIVE FOR MEMBERSHIP.

"The strength of the Red Cross is in its Chapters. They are its bone and sinew. They supply its funds; they supply its men and women; they supply its enthusiasm and the wonderful spirit of sacrifice and patriotism which pervades the work."(George E. Scott, General Manager, A.R.C.)

The wherewithal for the prosecution of a great work does not proceed from its ideal, but toward it. It took both the bone of membership and the sinew of money to carry on the beautiful ideal of the Red Cross Service. Created by the Executive Committee, in response to the call to action from Washington, the membership committee faced the first great task of the local Red Cross. The existing membership was not grown to any appreciable figure at that date. It was not large enough, all told, to form a committee for the first "drive". It was necessary, first of all, to recruit the requisite nucleus by the personal work of every Red Cross man and woman then in Fort Wayne.

The ministers of the city, the church brotherhoods, the fraternal and philanthropic organizations and the Woman's Club League, the physicians and the nurses, all contributed workers. The influence of the Red Cross Nursing Service committee was a powerful factor in the drive. To assist the campaign a mass meeting was arranged under the auspices of the Woman's Club League, with Ernest F. Bicknell as speaker, who also addressed the women in the afternoon preceding, at the Hotel Anthony, the keynote of the speech being an appeal of a universality of membership in the Red Cross. "We are asking for a million members, but when we get the million we will find it was two million we meant all the while" he said, in effect. Eight Red Cross nurses acted as ushers. In the evening, at the (old) Masonic Temple, Mr. Bicknell again delivered a memorable address to a small though

interested audience. Cadets from Concordia College acted as ushers at this meeting, and the Boy Scouts attended in a body, by invitation. Fort Wayne was still asleep, February, 24, 1917. Real enthusiasm was slow in kindling. Dr. A.E.Fauve addressed the foreigners in Westfields.Clergymen preached Red Cross from their pulpits. Physicians talked it to their patients.* Women exhausted their tact in earnest persuasion, and saw their words fall back as from a stone wall. One downtown block is said to have yielded but six names during the first week, and workers were known to have labored for a full half day without securing a single recruit. The Committee knew before the first week ended that the goal of Five Thousand was not to be reached by any royal road.

The large blanket applications used in canvassing the industrial concerns were variously treated, often being retained so long that it was feared they were lost. However, it appeared later that these were merely waiting to secure "100%" subscription. Some were promptly returned with the message"We do not believe in war". But oftener than not these were asked for again and signed unitedly.

The house to house work was finished; the blanket aplications began to show results, and memberships began to flow in voluntarily. With approach of the war cloud, interest quickened, and by the time the Chapter House was opened membership enrollment was an rapid increase. Without persuasion, many who had said "We do not approve of war"(as if anybody did!)came to join in the war work of the Red Cross. They saw that the Red Cross did not "approve" of war, either, but that it existed only to relieve the inevitable suffering caused by war.

Suddenly there was a wide movement toward organization. In the eagerness of the time, three outside counties appealed to Fort Wayne to,organize them. Secretary Dr. Calvin wrote to Washington Headquarters and obtained permission, in the emergency, to organize them as Branches. This was done, and for three months or more they were conducted as tributaries of the Fort Wayne Chapter. Then, having"attained their majorities" , they were given their independence and went on their Red Cross way rejoicing. The goal of five thousand members was reached and passed June 1, 1917, amid congratulations over what had been declared an impossibility. How little Fort Wayne knew,then,of the great holiday drives that were to astonish us with their tremendous results.

July Fourth, the "One Day Drive" was the final effort of the campaign, the incentive to the teams,who were groups of girl employes of several large firms, being a silver loving cup offered by the chairman of membership. The girls met at the Chapter House and marched to Swinney Park, where the contest was to take place among the crowd assembled for the celebration.

* Dr. Warren D. Calvin addressed the brotherhoods of the First Presbyterian and Congregational churches.

The aggregate enrollment for the day was three hundred and fifty new members, of which number Florence Kemp,(now Mrs.Howe), of the Foster Manufacturing Company secured nearly half, and won the cup,which was inscribed on either side with the award and the name of the donor. Miss Frances Ott also had offered five dollars in gold to the winner, to be by her expended in enrolling five babies under one year of age, in the Fort Wayne Chapter. The babies were duly elected, at Miss Kemp 's wish, by ballot among the Foster employees. A beautiful American Flag was presented to Miss Kemp by the W.C.T.U. Steady growth in local Chapter membership, and the increase in Noble,Adams and LaGrange counties raised the Chapter list,including these temporary dependencies, to over nine thousand members by the end of October,1917. The four branches organized in these counties were Kendallville, Ligonier, Decatur and LaGrange, and they are listed with their chairmen, in the appendix, for the reason that their first work is included in the total of the Fort Wayne Chapter.

THE FIRST AID COMMITTEE.

Its Purpose: "In time of war, help every nurse to serve her country."--Jane A. Delano, Department of Nursing, A.R.C..

Following advices received from Red Cross Headquarters at Washington, Chairman B.Paul Mossman,on Friday March 23, 1917, in executive session appointed the two Committees which were to set the wheels of local Red Cross service in motion, the "First Aid" and the "Committee of Fifteen". Dr. Miles F. Porter,sr., was appointed chairman of First Aid.

This committee numbered ten members,exclusive of the chairman. It was enlisted with due promptness, and thirty of the city's most skilled physicians were authorized as teachers of the classes. In a letter from Major Robert S. Patterson,of the Medical Corps,A.R.C., received by the Chapter secretary April 1, 1917, the official approval of the committees was conveyed; and immediately upon the arrival of the text books the classes began work. Classes were limited to a maximum of twenty-five,and a minimum of four students. By April 3, nine classes had been formed, the earliest of which was a group from the D.A.R., who had organized March 3, 1917, to be in readiness for instruction. This class met, April 4, at Dr. Porter's office, and were the first class in Fort Wayne to receive First Aid instructions the date being two days previous to the declaration of war.

It is mere fact to state that no classes were undertaken or attended with greater zeal than those in First Aid. There were students who, wishing to be thorough, attended the entire course in two classes; and there were those who, interrupted in one class, completed the course in another; and it was noticeable that the instruction was sought by persons who were in earnest

and notmerely pursuing a fashion. Dr. Porter reported at the annual meeting in October, 1917, that fifty-five classes of women had been instructed, aggregating eight hundred and ninety-seven persons; while four classes of men, numbering seventy-five more, made a total of nearly a thousand men and women fitted to render First Aid service in the event of emergency. Each of them had spent at least fifteen hours under instruction, and as the doctors never stinted the lesson time, probably they spent much more than fifteen hours. The physicians who taught gave from eight to twenty hours per week, during the entire course, according to the number of classes. After the end of October, 1917, there was no further report from the First Aid Committee, for the reason that so many of Fort Wayne's physicians were called to army service that teachers were not to be had, and also because work in other lines had to be pushed so hard that there were no more pupils. However, with a regiment already trained, the local Red Cross was well equipped.

An entertaining demonstration of "First Aid" was enacted at the Independence Day celebration of July 4, 1917, when the new Red Cross ambulance, given to the War Department by the city of Fort Wayne, was used to "rescue" a soldier "injured" in the maneuvers of the Signal Corps, and Battery D. Drs. W.W.Barnett and A.H.Macbeth conducted the demonstration, which was witnessed by several thousand persons.

(Note: It has been impossible to secure a full report of all the First Aid Classes for the appendix, but the history committee have done all that was in their power.)

HOSPITAL UNIT "M".

"They also serve, who only stand and wait".

Hospital Unit "M" was organized by Dr. Miles F. Porter, Sr., upon request of the American Red Cross, and was completed according to early specifications and accepted, April 1917, be being the first hospital unit to organize in Indiana.

The amount of $5,000. which was necessary to raise for rquipment was over-raised to the figure of $6,100..all subscribed by private citizens. The calling of the Unit seemed assured until the quesrion of age limit caused Dr. Porter and Dr. Kent K. Wheelock to be ruled out. Dr. Allen Hamilton was appointed to Dr. Porter's post, and made every effort to learn what was necessary to complete the organization, but repeated letters and telegrams brought no information. In August 1917, came an order to enlist fifty orderlies immediately. This was found, at so late a day, to be impossible, in spite of every effort. Earlier information from the Surgeon-General's office might have brought successful results. Instructions as to physical fitness specifications were also too, late, and doctors and nurses were arbitrari- [illegible]

ly ruled out at so late a moment that it was impossible to replace them. Under these circumstances, for which the Unit was in no way responsible, the physicians composing it voted to disband; and early in September, 1917, notified the the Red Cross of the impossibility of mustering a complete unit, and the organization was then discharged. However, nearly every individual on the Muster Roll was finally called to service, (after having been ruled out) including clerks and orderlies, and excepting only those who were ruled out by reason of age. The fund of $6,100. was permitted by the subscribers to remain in the treasury of the local Red Cross Chapter. (see appendix.)

THE RED CROSS NURSE.

"The Rose of No Man's Land".

To be a member of the American Red Cross is a simple matter of paying an annual fee of one dollar. Membership involves no obligation whatever. It does not take into consideration the education, talent, or personality of the individual who pays the membership fee. It doesnot probe either his health, his character or his patriotism--merely takes these things for granted. A babe or an octogenarian is all one to the membership list. The careless dollar of the egoist, flung into the Red Cross treasury will, in fact, buy as much, go as far, as the dollar of the most self-sacrificing conscience in the community. Real duty in the Red Cross membership is a matter of the heart, we know, and does not end with the payment of a dollar; but it is a voluntary duty, even in dire emergency, and it requires no courage whatever to become a Red Cross member--just a dollar, and that is all.

There is, however, another department of Red Cross membership which is organized upon very different lines--the Red Cross Nursing Service. To enter this service the nurse must prove herself up to the high standard of training and efficiency set by the American Red Cross. And she obliges herself, by the act of registration, to answer the call of the Red Cross for the relief of human suffering in any calamity of peace or war that may arise. Like a soldier, she cannot shirk the call without disgrace. Hers is a voluntary enlistment, but it requires the bravery of a soldier, for she must follow the soldier wherever he is sent--to battle field, to camp,--at the call of the Red Cross. She must also go where a soldier is helpless, into plague-stricken dwellings to face contagion as deadly as bullets, and work under whatever hardship the performance of her duty exacts. Like the soldier, only physical disability can release her when emergency summons.

The right to wear the Red Cross upon her sleeve, when on duty, and to write "R.C.N." after her name, is her only privilege except that of service. In the ordinary conditions of life

that is distinction enough, and even carries with it a certain prestige which is desirable, even advantageous, in times of peace and prosperity, but it does not increase her weekly salary. In times of war, or great calamity, it has a power to transform a plodding disciple of routine into a heroine, alert with help and ready to dare and to die; a practical, hard-headed sick-room tyrant into an angel of mercy; and the plainest young woman that ever was, with mud-colored hair and grey eyes, into a rose of beauty, when she finds her line of duty in the debatable ground of No Man's Land.

The first registered nurse of the American Red Cross officially to represent the Red Cross Nursing Service in Fort Wayne, was Miss Elizabeth Melville, whose registration was dated 1911. A recruiting committee, appointed from the National Headquarters, is the centre of registration in each state, an item of its organization which was not complete in all states until the war was close upon us. Indiana, which is now divided into four districts, was, up to the time of Miss Melville's removal to Fort Wayne, covered by one committee. The American Red Cross, fore-seeing the probability of war, began to prepare for it, in the systematic registration of more Red Cross Nurses. Miss Melville's appointment as registrant of recruits was made early in the summer of 1916. There were located in Fort Wayne, at that time, four registered Red Cross nurses: the Misses Lillie M. Garard, Frances Folsom Kayser, Augusta A. Fisher, and Elizabeth E. Springer, all of whom had entered the service in 1914. Miss Anna Lauman was the first recruit, local.

Miss Melville, upon the threat of war, began to push a personal campaign for recruits for army nurses, and up to the time when her own call came, had enrolled more than forty nurses in the Red Cross ranks. She left Fort Wayne to enter army service September 7, 1917, the first Fort Wayne nurse to be called for foreign service. Her work lay in France. She was succeeded in the chairmanship by Miss Anna Lauman, and the other members of the local committee of Red Cross Nursing Service of Northeastern Indiana and: (Feb. 1919) Elizabeth Springer, Lucy Lauman, Anna Hallman, and Helen Palmer. Of all the Red Cross nurses listed at Fort Wayne, none were transferred to this district from other points with the exception of the Misses Frances Ott, Josephine Raymond and Lucy Lauman. By training if not by residence, it is believed that all were Fort Wayne nurses. Of those already mentioned, Miss Melville, Miss Garard, Miss Kayser and Miss Raymond are now in service, the Misses Anna and Lucy Lauman both in high position in the Lutheran hospital, Miss Springer at the head of Nursing in the Hintington County Hospital, and Miss Ott taught classes for nearly two years at the Chapter House in Fort Wayne, in Elementary Hygiene and Home Care of the Sick. Thirty-one additional Red Cross nurses were sent into overseas service from Fort Wayne; forty-one more were sent to training camps in the United States; twenty-one remained uncalled to wartime service, but ready; ten are on record who failed in physical examination, but who entered the Home Defense Reserves and rendered fine service in the influenza epidemic; five (married)

nurses who volunteered for local emergency; and seven (married) nurses who volunteered to teach Home Care Classes.

The first call to Red Cross emergency service received by any Fort Wayne nurse was the dispatching of Miss Melville and Miss Rose Teichman to the scene of the Newcastle tornado, in the early spring of 1917.

Miss Gertrude Barber, who failed in physical examination, was called as the successor, in local Anti-T.B. work, of Patricia Byron whose brave bright spirit carried her far beyond her strength, and who laid down her life in the service at Camp MacArthur, Texas, March 28, 1918. (She lies at rest at Fullerton, California.)

Grace E. Buell, who went overseas, fell a victim to influenza enroute, and after being taken from shipboard at Dover, England, developed meningitis, which ended her life. She was buried temporarily, at Morn Hill, England, near Dover.

The total number of nurses who volunteered for service in all lines was as nearly as can be ascertained, one hundred and twenty-seven. (A complete classified list will be found in the appendix).

One very important result of the war call for Red Cross nurses is seen in the increased interest of young student nurses in the Red Cross standard of service, the principles of which are being incorporated in the training of all novices. Those who are in close touch with the new methods are of the opinion that a further result will be that, instead of a few Red Cross nurses, as before the war, there will in future be but few who are not Red Cross Nurses.

The local Red Cross Nursing Service committee, Miss Anna Lauman, chairman, were instant in duty during all the epidemic in Allen county, and have in every way responded to the call of emergency.

THE COMMITTEE OF FIFTEEN.
(Instructions to women.
Mrs A.L. Johns, Chairman.)

ELEMENTARY HYGIENE AND HOME CARE OF THE SICK.

"Women, as a real war service, must prepare themselves to prevent needless illness, care intelligently for the sick in their homes, and thus hasten their return to usefulness. . . . . a life-saving, enery-conserving war activity." (War Council, A.R.C.)

To Miss Melville, R.C.N., of the Committee on Instructions to Women, was delegated the task of inaugurating the "Home Care" classes, finding a competent and satisfactory Red Cross Nurse for instructor being a paramount item. At that time, to find a Red Crosss Nurse "out of captivity" was a difficult matter, and the class room on the second floor of the Chapter House was fully equipped and classes formed and waiting before a teacher

was secured for them. Even when Miss Frances Ott had been discovered, recommended and engaged, there was delay in her arrival, and, to save impatience, the duly appointed Examining committee, Miss Springer and Miss Anna Lauman, at last began work themselves, on the evening of April 20, 1917, and the first class of twenty girls, most of whom were student teachers from Lakeside Normal School, was well under way when Miss Ott appeared.

From the beginning the interest was keen, and grew with every lesson. Miss Ott's personality, quaint, original and magnetic, was a strong factor in her success as a teacher, and the practical value of the course to the students appealed to them all; for Miss Ott, as well as being humorous and kindly, was thorough and sensible. The lessons were replete with incidental interest, especially during the height of the campaign, when attendance was largest. In spite of the turmoil of any new and great undertaking, and the unavoidable irregularity in attendance on the part of many, the very nature of the course, in itself a normal part of "woman's work", was less of strained attention, more pleasurable, than First Aid . But with only one teacher, not so many could be admitted to classes . The anticipated use of "dummies" for demonstrations was never necessary, for there were always live volunteer subjects. In the enthusiasm of the hour, a number of boy scouts of tender age immolated themselves on the altar of humanity and submitted their sacred small persons to the indignity of being bathed in bed--"right before a lot of ladies"-- and variously swathed and "treated" by the teaching nurse. It would be a pleasure to give the names of all the wee scouts who thus "helped to win the war" in this way, but as the name of only one is positively known, we refrain from mentioning any, lest his dignity be injured. Sometimes it was a little girl who was the subject or patient, and latterly, different members of the class "posed" ,in turn.

In all, twenty-two classes were formed in this department, about three hundred and fifty being enrolled in them all. An appreciable number of those who dropped out did so because of giving their time too completely to some other working department to admit of Home Care work. Far fewer students finished than in First Aid, and still fewer took the final examinations and won diplomas; yet, during the influenza epidemic of 1918-19, the worth of the training classes in Home Care was distinctly demonstrated.

In October, 1918, at the beginning of the epidemic, a class of sixty applicants for Home Care training recalled Miss Ott to the class room.

SURGICAL DRESSINGS.

"Interminable folds of gauze
For those whom we shall never see.
Remember, when your fingers pause,
That every drop of blood to stain
This whiteness, falls for you and me.
Part of the price that keeps us free
To serve our own, that keeps us clean
From shame that other women know.
Oh, saviours we have never seen,
Forgive us that we are so slow!
God--if that blood should cry in vain
And we have let our moment go!"
(Amelia Josephine Burr.)

Instructions in the making of surgical dressings began on the morning of Monday, April 9, 1917, a class of twenty-one women including Mrs Johns, chairman of the Committee of Fifteen, having been enrolled by the Chapter House head in readiness for the opening. Miss Johnson, a Red Cross Nurse from Boston, was an enthusiastic if somewhat autocratic instructor, and much gratified with the progress of her class, the zeal of which spread fast and resulted in a call for her service to be extended long enough to train others. Mrs Will McKinnis organized the first of two additional classes each of ten members of the first class contributing ten dollars to defray the extra cost of the course. The third class, which received their instructions in the evening, on account of all day business occupations, began at the same date as the second, and Miss Johnson's stay was prolonged to three weeks, thoroughly to cover all the course and to administer the examinations. Upon completing the course, each student was given both oral and written tests by Miss Johnson, and the papers, together with sample boxes of the surgical dressings and bandages made by the individuals of the classes were forwarded to the Bureau of Nursing at the Central Headquarters at Washington, for inspection and grading. Those whose work met the approval of the Bureau were awarded cards signed by Miss Glass, head of the Bureau. There were no failures in the list from Fort Wayne Chapter, and from the number of those who attained a very high degree of excellence in their work and papers, a limited (pro rata) few were specified as "Certified"--that is, "teachers who were permitted to teachers".

During the progress of these classes, the late Dr. E.J.Mc Oscar addressed the students on the use of each of the dressings they were learning, giving illustrative description of the manner in which they were applied. New Classes began forming immediately for the work, the graduates of the first class organizing units among applicants from their own circles. The interest was so great that a full schedule of classes was completed within a week or two, occupying all the hours in the week.

The Surgical Dressings department was organized with Mrs. A.L.Johns,Chairman, Mrs. Georgia Meriwether and Mrs.Ed J. Rieke, inspectors. Upon the opening of the local Red Cross Warehouse, Mrs.Rieke and Mrs. Meriwether resigned to accept positions there, and Mrs.Harry L. Askew was appointed inspector at the Chapter House with a detail of instructors to assist. Mrs. Askew sustaining a broken ankle soon after,resigned and Mrs. Will K. Noble became inspector, with Mrs. W.W.Rockhill as assistant. Throughout the summer months the classes surged around the tables, those in the evening being especially crowded,to capacity. Late in September,Mrs. Johns ,whose multifold duties had become excessive, became ill from overwork, and was compelled to resign. Mrs.Will K. Noble succeeded to the Chairmanship, and the whole department underwent re-organization. Miss Sadie Fleming became vice-chairman, Mrs.Rockhill inspector , and a committee of twelve competent women were appointed to assist, every one of whom was really needed to cope with the increasing proportions of the work. It was the duty of these twelve women to inspect,count and tie into proper packages, all dressings and bandages, first correcting small faults in the work, or if badly done,returning the articles to the instructor responsible for them, to be done over. Needless to say , there was seldom anything to be returned to the'fingers that never paused'.

INSTRUCTORS were organized with Mrs. John P. Evans as chairman, to whom they directly reported the attendance of themselves and their classes. It was Mrs. Evans' task to provide a teacher for every unit of the schedule, and any instructor unable to fulfil her detail was bound to report to the Chairman in season to have a substitute found. If no substitute was available--and that often happened--Mrs. Evans filled the vacancy in person. Under her was a third class of teachers, known as "supervisors", who had taken the course from local teachers only, and were not permitted to teach outside the Chapter House. They were, however, none the less efficient and capable teachers,some of them realizing the utmost success in the work of their classes.

In accordance with Chapter House rule,Department Heads in the "S.D." were dark blue veils with white band and red cross when on duty; Certified teachers were similar veils, but of red(this afterward being adopted for all teachers); and for S.D. class workers, the white veil or coif was prescribed, also the white "all over" apron, the latter attended to by a special committee under Miss Esther Fox, who managed the business of laundering, mending and buttons--a humble office at first glance, but made fine by perfect performance.

Mrs. Walter Barrett was made chairman of surgical stock cutting,which implied the responsibility for the accurate cutting of all the gauze and cotton used for dressings, and requiring the closest application. the work being done for a long time entirely by hand, and a thread drawn in the gauze to insure straightness. Muslin Bandage cutting also was under this committee,yhe work of which cannot be too highly commended. Mrs. Georgia Lumbard Olds and Mrs. Albert Bond were Mrs. Barrett's assistants.

Muslin Bandage Sewing was another wing of the "S.D." department, to which Mrs. Charles Stockbridge, the chairman, devoted practically "100%" of her time for over a year, coming to the Chapter House every morning, and remaining frequently until seven or eight o'clock in the evening. Mrs. Stockbridge not only superintended the table work, but gave out the bandage parts to sewing units, registering every piece and item of muslin or tape, and auditing the finished articles when returned. Her daughter, Mrs. Edward Grosjean, assisted her in this latter work, giving her after-school-teaching hours to the Red Cross.

Mrs. Artemas W. Pickard was personal supervisor of the Stock Room of the Surgical Supply department, keeping a perfect record of all incoming stock, aswell as checking out every length of gauze or muslin, roll of tape, or pound of cotton used in the department; and was ready at any moment to present an accurate statement of the stock on hand- a condition of frequent advantage.

New varieties of surgical dressings were being needed behind the lines "over there", and frequent changes in the grim style book of the "S.D.s" had to be learned. The first course in new and advanced teaching at the Chapter House was given by Mrs. Doran, sent by the Lake Division headquarters. Subsequently, the method of imparting this knowledge to the Chapter workshops was to call the Surgical Department chairmen to Indianapolis to attend classes in the Chapter there, afterward carrying the instructions home. Mrs. Noble mad numerous pilgrimages of this nature to Indianapolis, transmitting the instructions, upon her return, to Miss Mallie Johns, who occupied the position of special instructor in New Dressings to the entire teaching corps. It is easy to understand the absolute faithfulness nessary in a three hand transmission of information, and to rate the achievement accordingly.

Mrs. Joseph Lohman was appointed chairman of registration in the S.D. department July 12, 1917. Each worker was required to register name and hour of entering and of leaving class, and a member of Mrs. Lohman's committee had constantly to be on duty when the department was open for work. This work was faithful and strict, on the side of both chairman and workers. Mrs. Lohman was also appointed chairman of the Purchasing Committee, July 12, 1917, with Mrs. Noble G. Olds as aide. The purchasing was mostly local at first, until notification was received that Lake Division would take over the handling of supplies. During the service of the committee, were purchased about 75,000 yards of outing flannel, which advanced in price from ten to twenty-five cents per yard; 33,000 yards of gauze, on which prices advanced from five & three-fourths cents to eight & three-fourths cents per yard; 20,000 yards of muslin which advanced from ten to twenty-five cents per yard; 774 yards of bathrobe material, ranging from $1.72 per pattern for the first lot, and 1500 blankets, which cost $2.90 per robe; about 710 gross of tape; about 400 gross of thread, (100 to 1200 yard spools); 1500 yards of cheesecloth; 300 rolls of cotton; 34 tons of coal; besides twine, all wrapping and shipping papers and all supplies needed to carry on the work of Surgical Dressings and Garments, and many details necessary and incident to so large a workshop. The committee

faced a continually advancing market and a scarcity of materials, but through the efforts of our dealers we were enabled at all times to keep our departments stocked with necessities. The purchases for the nine months of service amounted to about $35,000.

It is impossible to say all that ought to be said concerning the devotion and the results achieved by individual workers, but an instance all will approve is a word regarding the wonderful success of Miss Winifred Callahan, who worked constantly in the S.D. department from April, 1917, until her departure for France in October, 1918. Miss Callahan did not qualify for "certification" until October, 1917, after which she taught a large class at the Chapter House every Monday night; another, yet larger, at St Patrick's Lyceum Hall every Thursday night; and a class in Muslin Bandage work at the James H. Smart school. Miss Helen Dinnen assisted her at the Monday night classes. In addition to this, Miss Callahan organized a class at Plymouth, Indiana, where a large number finished the course of instructions, and two were awarded diplomas as teachers in their respective towns, one in Plymouth, and one in Howe, Indiana. Miss Callahan's appointment to foreign service came in September, and she arrived in Paris the day before the signing of the Armistice, November 10, 1918, being there to witness the exuberant rejoicing.

Mrs. John P. Evans and Mrs. Ralph Clark taught, jointly, a large out-town class at Auburn, Indiana, for the preparation of local teachers, the class including students from Waterloo and from St. Joe, Indiana. Mrs. Evans, Miss Johns and Mrs. Heine taught classes of teachers at the Chapter House, and Mrs. Clark conducted the work of the Society of Jewish Women of Acduth Vesholom Temple.

Of the consummate generalship of Mrs. W.K. Noble--will someone kindly bring a distionary? "Wonderful" is worn out! It requires a new word to describe her. In November, 1917, Mrs. Noble was appointed by Mrs. Adelaide McKee (superintendent of S.D.s in Lake Division) to take over the work of instructings in New Surgical Dressings in a district of sixteen counties, Fort Wayne having acquired the distinction of a "Teaching Centre". The counties covered by the district were: Allen, Adams, Blackford, Elkhart, Grant, Huntington, Jay, Kosciusko, LaGrange, Miami, Noble, Steuben, Wabash, Wells, and Whitley. As Chairman Mrs. Noble was expected to go to Cleveland or to Indianapolis there to learn from Mrs. McKee the new dressings and bandages required and taught to Divisional Instructors at the Bureau of Nursing in Washington, according to suggestions from surgeons in the field. Returning, the chairman then taught the Chapter House instructors in sixteen counties, and sometimes was scarcely settled to work at Fort Wayne when a new call to Indianapolis was wired. As the warehouses were not permitted to accept dressings not up to specifications, all were kept on the qui vive in order to send only perfect work, and to have nothing returned. S.D. teachers were prepared and departments established wherever needed--Auburn,

Bluffton, Garrett, St Joe, Plymouth, Howe, Indiana Harbor, and other points. Several Ohio towns also received their instructions from the teaching corps at Fort Wayne, as it was closer to come to Fort Wayne than to attend classes in Toledo. Few days passed when there were no pupils to train in new dressings or new ways of making old ones, due to the constant change in requirements. Mrs. Max Fisherm vice-chairman of Instructions, was a most capable lieutenantb to Mrs. Noble.

THE GARMENT DEPARTMENT.
(Hospital Supplies)

The amazing total of more than 50,000 garments made by the women of Allen County.

The chairman, Mrs. Clarence J. Schoo, says: "The story of the manufacture of Hospital Garments by the devoted women of the Fort Wayne Chapter oft the A.R.C., its branches and Auxiliaries, since April, 1917, partakes of the quality of a fairy tale. From the small beginnings, when materials were purchased in limited quantities, wut out singly and fashioned by untrained workers, through the weeks of re-adjustment, and organization, development and co-operation, to the final almost unbelievable total of production, one watches a succession of achievement to which any Chapter in the country might point with pride." "Not until July was the final form of organization of the workshop adopted, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Charles E. Bond, who, among many changes, placed Mrs. Allen Hamilton, already the director of sewing, at the head of the entire "Hospital Garments" department. "To Mrs. Hamilton's tireless devotion and energy, coupled with executive ability, is largely due the remarkable growth of the department from that time forward", is Mrs. Schoo's tribute to the pioneer chairman.

The work of the department at Headquarters was formally subdivided by Mrs. Hamilton into: Cutting, Assembling, Distributing, and Sewing- the latter continued as a centre for the manufacture of sample garments, being used by all women desirous of contributing this particular service. The first two sets of sample garments, ~~bringxmxxx~~ had been made under the direction of Mrs. A.L. Johns, in May, 1917, (by the group of women listed in the appendix) and had been sent to Chicago for criticism, coming back labeled "Approved". The making of sample garments was afterward continued for the benefit of Branches and Sewing Units dependent upon Fort Wayne Chapter for instructions. Made by expert garment workers, they were the silent teachers of a great army of pupils.

THE CUTTING TABLES.
"A plain, unvarnished tale".

It is not the province of this record to particularize in the work of the Hospital Supplies, and state positively this or that detail as the one most indispensable to success. But certainly no garment, however well sewed would have been acceptable if ill-cut. Also a grament may be well made and accurately cut, yet serious waste may have accompanied the cutting. Good

cutting is a complex art, and involves the correlation of several basic principles, the final three of which, following good draughting, are the elimination of waste in material, in time, and in labor.

In the first attempt to work out the garment system in the Chapter Workshop, it is no reflection on the talents of those women who engaged in the initial fashioning of garments, to say that these first weeks were a school in which wisdom developed at a high rate of speed.

Mrs. Ellingham, appointed as chairman of cutting, was called away by illness in her family, and resigned. Garment work having already been given a tremendous impetus, the vacancy caused a nervous moment in the Workshop. About this time, Mrs. Frank Taft, who had just returned from Columbus, Ohio, where she had been an observer of the methods employed in the workshop there, was asked to fill the vacant post. Her acceptance, about the third week in May, 1917, accompanied the transfer of the cutting to the Foster Shirt Waist factory, where Mrs. Taft attended to the laying of the material on the cutting tables, and the placing and marking of the "master patterns" in readiness for the knife, the cutting being done after closing hours by Mr. Frank King and his son, who donated their services as expert cutters, for six to eight weeks, by which time the business of transporting the material and the cut garments to and from the factory and Chapter House, became too burdensome, and it was deemed best to install regular cutting tables on the factory plan, at the Chapter House, where Mrs. Taft continued her responsible part, and Messrs. King thenceforward came to the workshop whenever needed, doing the cutting at the half rate of forty cents per hour.

Up to this time Gauze cutting had all been done by hand, by Mrs. Walter Barrett and her assistants, yard by yard, a thread being pulled to insure accuracy. There are hands among the coterie of workers which carried the marks of the shears for years, - possibly until now. A conference occurred between Mrs. Barrett and Mrs. Taft one day, Mrs Barrett asking, "Would it be possible for gauze to be cut accurately with the knife?" And Mrs. Taft replying that she would demonstrate that possibility in a single trial. The trial was convincing proof of the conservation of time and energy. Once more a number of capable women were liberated for other work, while gauze, also, was cut by Messrs. King. Special gauze tables, made at the Packard factory were donated by A.S.Bond.

Gauze, it was found, could be cut 140 to 160 layers at a time; cuting flannels, at a depth of 36 layers; blankets for convalescent robes at 30 layers; and Muslin for bandages at 48 layers. But whether the material was thick or thin, the cutting was equally precise.

In the summer of 1918 the quota system of work was established by Lake Division, under which Chapters made only what was ordered by Cleveland headquarters. The call was chiefly for "helpless case shirts", "trench foot shoes", and so on, Cleveland sending the material at the expense of the local Chapter.

One day, an order arrived for five hundred pajama suits, the object being to use up the outing flannel in stock here. The invoice reported 2700 yards, and Cleveland wired back that 400 yards more would be needed, and would be sent. Mrs. Taft flashed back that 2700 yards were enough! And so it proved under her efficient engineering, clearly indicating the rate at which the Fort Wayne Chapter Workshop had been conserving material throughout the fifteen months previous, because its Chairman of Cutting had placed the business of her department on the professional basis from the beginning. Mrs. Taft generously attributes a great share of the credit given her department, to her splendid assistants, who without doubt deserve every word of her praise. But still, it must be said that not every Red Cross workshop had such an Engineer for chairman of the cutting tables, nor the services of such expert cutters as the Kings. It is notable, too, that at Cleveland headquarters a similar factory system was installed only a few weeks before the signing of the Armistice, while Fort Wayne had been working on this basis for eighteen months.

(After the eleventh of November, only "clearing up" industry was required, and Mrs. Taft devoted three weeks to the Christmas package work at the Post Office, where she assisted in the correct marking of the overseas mail.)

ASSEMBLING.

Under their chairman, Mrs J.M.Kuhns, the committees of the Assembling tables met daily, their duty being to assemble and tie into parcels the parts belonging to any garment, ,together with the buttons and tape essential, to tabulate them for distribution, and to check them carefully for accounting. There was no department of work which called for greater attention to detail, as in the counting out of buttons, the assembling of gusset, neckband, facing and flap, with tape and drawstring and little Red Cross , every part of every garment complete and chosen unerringly, size to size. That rarely, if ever, so much as a button went astray speaks volumes for the thoroughness of this department and the women who worked in it.

DISTRIBUTING.

From the hands of the Assembling committee the "work" passed into those of the Distributing committee, (Mrs. Schoo, first chairman) to be ticketed out to the sewing units, recorded and accounted for when returned, finished, from the hundreds of circles all over the city and county who thronged the Chapter House asking to serve the Red Cross. Merely to scan the lists of the sewing units should vizualize to the reader the services demanded of this committee in delivering quotas of unmade garments and in collecting the finished product. The Chairman may well say, "No day was too short nor task too hard for accomplishment; and no day is long enough in which to pay tribute to the hosts of loyal women who achieved the astounding total of more than fifty thusand finished garments." Whatever was asked of Fort Wayne Chapter, it performed.

An advantageous way of utilizing the pieces left in cutting large garments was devised by Mrs. Emil Keller and

(*Mrs Charles E. Bond.)

Mrs. John Landenberger, who designed Refugee garments. Eight additional tables needed for this work were supplied by Mrs. Fred Heine, Mrs. Fred Hoffman and Mrs. M. Phares. The cutting was done by Mrs. Taft, and Mrs. Keller distributed the assembled garments to the young sewers in the Junior Red Cross, through Miss Louise Pixley* and others.

But whether it was an experienced woman making a complicated garment, or a tiny Junior hemming a square of linen for a hospital tray, each was actuated by the same spirit. One contemplates the staggering aggregate of buttons sewed on and button-holes made, and only the motive indicated by the remark of a well-known woman explains the courage that nerved the fingers of the needle-women.

"Every stitch I take," she said, "I am wondering if one of my own boys may wear this very garment, and I want it to be good enough for him".

The Foster factory lent a great help in this direction when it temporarily took over the buttonhole making from July 18, to October 26, 1917, 1870 machine buttonholes being worked during that time.

INVOICING AND PACKING.

Fort Wayne Chapter, A.R.C.
(By Mrs. Will Rohan)
"Thou art permitted to speak for thyself."(Ed.)

The Packing department of the Red Cross was installed when the re-organization of the local Chapter House took place under the leadership of Mrs. Charles H. Bond, July 12, 1917. Mrs. Mrs. W.H.Rohan was appointed chairman of the departmentand given the privilege of appointing her own committee, Mrs. N.D.Doughman proving a most valuable lieutenant. Up to this time, surgical dressings and garments had merely accumulated as the Chapter had had no orders from Divisional Headquarters where to send them. Co-incident with Mrs. Bond's acceptance of the Chapter House re-organization, the Northern Indiana Warehouse was opened in Fort Wayne, and the first consignment of completed garments was taken over to the newly established shipping centre July 20, 1917, a total of 16,615 pieces, 13,782 of which were surgical dressings, and 2,831 hospital garments. The Brown Trucking company volunteered their services for the hauling, and gave efficient assistance for many weeks. Then, after a conference with Mayor Cutshall, it was decided that the City Water Works department should take over this work, having a regular day and hour for weekly deliveries. In February, 1918, the Northern Indiana Warehouse was discontinued, and orders came to begin shipping direct to Indianapolis. Many boxes were needed to meet this emergency, and the problem of getting them made at no expense, the Warehouse committee conceived the happy idea of asking aid from the Vocational school. It met with instant response from Mr. Gordon, t[illegible]

principal, and regular output of boxes each week free of charge, the remaining stock of boxes at the warehouse being sufficient for immediate use, while waiting for the first consignment from the school.

Arthur Cox.

Through the courtesy of Mr. E.A.Barnes of the General Electric, stencils for the proper and business-like marking of the boxes for shipment were furnished, the boys at the Vocational school performing this work also. Further facilitation of the work was gained by the purchase of the shelves from the closing warehouse, the boys of the Vocational school placing them in position on the second floor of the Chapter House, opposite the elevator, and upon them all the completed garments and knitted articles were neatly piled in sections, checked off by the garment committee, and turned over to the Packing department for shipping.

Pressing duties compelling Mrs.Rohan's resignation in April, 1918, Mrs. Henry Beadell was appointed to succeed her, and Mrs. Ed.Rieke was made assistant to Mrs.Doughman, to maintain the standard of efficiency under the great increase of work. Shipments were made regularly to Indianapolis every week, and special terms and courtesies were extended to the department by the Inter-Urban Electric lines leading to the capitol city.

During the fall of 1918, the War Department and the American Red Cross, anxious that every American soldier in France should receive a Christmas package, devised a plan by which the packing and mailing of the two million boxes could be so divided as to be successfully accomplished, and no soldier boy disappointed. Labels were issued to the boys of the American Expeditionary Forces, to be by them made out and returned to their next of kin in America, who in turn presented them at the nearest Christmas box station, where a box or paper carton was given out (designed in uniform size, 9x4x3) , and when returned, filled, to the Red Cross inspectors of the Packing department, were by them securely tied, labeled, and postage attached, and then speeded to France.

The month of November was given to this interesting and oft times pathetic work in which the Fort Wayne Chapter shipped, in all, 2,868 cartons to the boys. Mr. Henry Beadell rendered a much appreciated service in this special work of the department, and others who assisted the chairman in the happy success were the Mesdames Samuel M. Foster, Fred McCulloch John E. Ross, Will H. Rohan, N.D.Doughman, Frank Taft, E.H. Merrit, John Dreibelbiss, Harvey Crane, and Miss Mildred Saylor.

THE CHAPTER HOUSE.

"Every day is 'Labor Day' at the Red Cross".
(Red Cross Calendar)

" A very significant feature in the evolution of Red Cross in this country is the wonderful response of the Chapters to the demand for disciplined effort. Notwithstanding just cause for complaint and criticism, Chapter work never lets up. The Department of Development feels that the seven million women workers of the Red Cross have been the strongest factors in the development of National unity during the war."

So wrote James G. Blaine, jr., Chairman of the Department of Development. Fort Wayne helped. From the opening of the Chapter House at 124 East Berry street, straight through to the end of the strain, there was no let up whatever in any department of the work that lay before the women of the workshop; nor any pause save when, once, the supply of material ran temporarily short. If the call of war to men was "To arms!" to the women it was "To Work!" And the response to the latter call was even quicker than to the first.

Miss Johnson being expected to begin her classes on Monday, April 10, the Chapter House had to be put in readiness. It still encumbered with the dust and rubbish of the last tenants preceding. Edward C. Miller, appointed executive chairman by Chairman B. Paul Mossman, had the floors scrubbed, and a day was given them to dry while the necessary furniture was solicited to equip the workshop and class rooms. Variousscources contributed generously. The Bursley Company loaned two glass show cases for the safe-keeping of Surgical Dressings supplies; and the Indiana Furniture Company loaned a wardrobe and chairs. Sewing machines were sent from the Hitzeman and Singer agencies as soon as needed, also from Wolf and Dessauer's, who equipped two of theirs with electric motors; Mrs W.S. Morris and later many others loaned their own machines. The Commercial Club loaned chairs; The Foster Furniture Company and the Fort Wayne Printing Company each loaned roll-top desks, the latter sending a filing case for the reception of important papers. A type-writer came rent free from the Remington people; and the Home Telephone Company installed a telephone ready for the opening day. As they were needed, blackboards for the posting of directions and requests were loaned by the public schools and by the Seavey Hardware Company, who also sent electric irons, which were a necessary adjunct of the sewing rooms.

For the Home Care class room Dr. A.H. Macbeth contributed two hospital cots; Wolf and Dessauer the bed and toilet linen complete; the Fort Wayne Drug Company, the toilet articles and accessories, and an attendant's stand of the approved type. The Scot-

tish Rite Temple loaned chairs for this room.

From time to time other things to mitigate the bareness of the Chapter House were added to the equipment, in the shape of large American flags contributed by the Indiana Furniture Company, and Mrs.A.E.Fauve, Red Cross flags were made by Mrs. E.C.Miller and Mrs.A.G.EmrickK, and the Boss Manufacturing Company girls gave their big red Cross flag, the work of their own hands in after hours, bearing the marks of service in the Lexington Day and subsequent parades, when the forty girls had carried it and gathered the showered coins of the populace. ----But that was afterward.

It was Sunday morning before the Chapter House floor was dry from the scrubbing of Friday. Easter,1917, and Miss Johnson s classes in Surgical Dressings advertised to begin on the morrow!Well, it was a case of emergency, and the Red Cross exists for such. So,Sunday morning, armed with soap and brushes and rags and hammer and tacks, Mrs. A.L.Johns, Mrs.A.E.Fauve and E.C.Miller met at the door of the Chapter House-to-be and together attacked the detail cleaning which remained to be done before surgical dressings material could be touched or lessons given. Tables had been loaned,all of which had to be scrubbed and covered with white oilcloth. While the tables dried, the windows were cleaned of the winter's smoke, and the dust of months of exposure wiped and polished from every piece of furniture. Then the telephone unlocked a rear door of the George Dewald wholesale house, and a roll of white oil-cloth procured with which everyt table was neatly covered. A tentative arrangement of the furniture was effected. There had been no flourish of trumpets over the task, but the hammer was not padded. All was ready and classes in Surgical Dressings began on time Monday morning "as advertised".

In Fort Wayne, as elsewhere, eager hearts and hands seized the first opportunity for actual service, and for a long while, work kept organization on the run. Re-adjustments of workshop departments were constantly necessary through many moons, before everything found its proper groove. With little precedent, and the raw material of a tremendous work awaiting organization, the Red Cross pioneers faced a task that called for cool heads and stout hearts. In addition to the ordinary activity of the workshop the Membership committee desk was, of necessity,accommodated at the headquarters while three thousand names were being added to the roll, and three counties outside of Allen were being organized. Visitations from outer towns were continuous. There was not an idlemind nor hand in the whole executive force of the Fort Wayne Chapter. It was a story of everyone doing his or her best-and it was a wonderful best!

Those first days at the Chapter House were hampered by the feeling that not a sou might be spent except for workshop supplies.The day of plentiful funds had not yet arrived. There was no paid janitor service ,although voluntary free janitor service in sweeping and cleaning was given by Charles Grandchamp, while Mrs. Grandchamp,during the same period g ave free lessons in French to anyone desiring to prepare for overseas service.

Surgical Dressings and Hospital Garments will receive separate and further treatment in a later chapter, but a word concerning the small tentative beginnings of the great war work done by Fort Wayne women,(who, with no teacher,only a few patterns,a box of sample garments sent from Chicago Chapter, took the initiative, and without the glory of official title, made the first garments, two sets ,which were sent to Chicago for criticism)is in order at this point. As many as can now be recalled of the group are: Mrs. L.G.Ellingham, Mrs. E.T.Williams,Mrs. W.S.Morris,Mrs. Jack Kuhns, Mrs Allen Hamilton, Mrs. Hannah Mohr, Mrs. Clarence J. Schoo,Mrs. Stranahan and Mrs. C.B.Bryson--but there were others. Afterward the first organized departments were graced by the same women as chairmen(the rally to the Red Cross was too rapid and tumultuous to keep accurate account of!) and part of them stayed until the very last of the war work. Mrs Georgia Mwriwether daily inspected all work finished. Cutting, assembling, distributing and sewing developed and set in operation, inspection and invoicing coming with the return of the first work of the sewing units in the churches. Even after the appointment of separate department heads the lines between were not very tightly drawn while the work was getting under way. A co-operative spirit was prevalent. The purchasing, done by the committee of which Mrs E.J.Rieke was chairman was local, every drygoods hpuse in the city being consulted for quality and price, gauzes only being purchased through the desk, from authorized sources.

Mrs.W.S.Morris, pioneer Extension chairman, visited the women's guilds of all the English speaking churches, the public schools,factories,stores and fraternal auxiliaries also quite thoroughly covered. A large number of sewing units were organized, especially in the city schools,churches and among the girls of the several industrial establishments. The territory outside the city was not deeply touched until later, and organization in that direction was still in progress when the Armistice was signed.

Mrs. A.L Johns as chairman of the Committee of Fifteen was director of the entire class work in Home Care and Surgical, the teachers and members of her committee assisting.

The arrangement of the headquarters was a constantly changing problem for the first quarter,as work surged through every department and official channel unceasingly. All work was done on the first floor, in the beginning, except Home Care teaching. Cutting was the first department to follow to the second floor,rear; and garment makingwas soon after elevated to second floor,front, Surgical Dressings having grown to fill the entire space at command on the first floor. Next, Bandage (muslin) work was installed in the second floor rear, Cutting being re-established on the third floor, next to the "stock room", while opposite elevator on this floor Invoice and Packing were inaugurated and maintained throughout the campaign.

Knitting was begun at the Chapter House by Mrs. Julia Faye Randall,who gave instructions to as many as could be accommodated in those already crowded quarters during May and June. The scarcity of yarn, however, prevented Knitting from getting a running start until later in the summer.

The appointment of Mrs. A.E.Fauve to the post of Inspector at the local(Northern Indiana) warehouse about to be established in this city, was made public July 10, 1917, and her resignation as Headquarters chairman took effect at once.

THE RED CROSS WORKSHOP.
(Re-organized)

"Second only to the Army, in winning the war."
(Theodore Roosevelt)

Mrs Charles E. Bond,unanimous choice pf the Executive Committee, to succeed to the Chairmenship of the Workshop, entered upon her duties July 12, 1917. The removal of Membership work from the office gave room for freer expansion of the Chapter House forces and opportunity for a clearer scheme of regular Chapter House activities than had been possible hitherto. The re-organization was worked out thoughtfully, and the right person found as leader for every line. Many were in the right place already, and the vacancies were not long waiting for the right chairmen. The chairmen themselves and their department work are all to be dealt justice to in detail and separately, and the personnel will be found in the Appendix; but to the Chairman of them all,Mrs. Bond,tribute of appreciation is due for the increasing efficiency of the Workshop, the immense output of finished work,her discreet marshaling of desk and department forces and the regulation of each new line of endeavor as it developed, and the augmented value of the Chapter House to all phases of war activity.

Mrs. Bond's willingness at all times to co-operate with her chairmen in all their needs and suggestions promoted the remarkable team spirit which characterized the whole, and contributed to the success of every padt. In all her work Mrs. Bond made order her first law, impartial courtesy being scarcely second to it. Her appointment of the special Chapter House committees was signally felicitous.

Beginning with the first consignments of garments and surgical dressings to the Warehouse, Mrs. Bond made weekly statements,in detail, of the entire departmental and office work of the Chapter House to the Executive Committee,so that they were kept in close touch with developments, and able to arrive promptly at conclusions regarding questions which needed their authority.

The office force, beginning with Miss Lanon Sperry, who was retained as Executive Secretary, and whose adaptability has made her indispensable to the Chapter, and including Miss Alice Knight,special secretary and"right hand" for the Chairman(succeeded,after her departure from the city by Mrs Ralph Beagles) and the entire personnel of the"Night and"Day" desks, the House Committee and the Elevator teams, could not have been better assembled for the congeniality which results in efficiency.

The same degree of talent was brought to bear upon every responsibility large or small which belonged to the office of "General Chairman". The"Silent Sentinel", as the mite box at the

House door grew to be called in the offices, was one of the small things which, purchased by the Chairman and furnished with a stout pedestal by Mr. Ralph Peagles, was more than successful, for it brought in support for the Comfort Kit department. Soldier boys about to leave for sometimes emptiedtheir loose change into it, or a mite of humanity strained a tiny hand high enough to drop in a penny. Others took the night time to slip a tightly folded bank note through the slit, and twice at least it was a ten dollar one. The window trimming, which was a free service from the Wolf and Dessauer professional, displayed the conservation work so well that it became an incentive to laggards to enter and join the ranks. Little Boy Scouts came in to smooth tinfoil and roll it into attractive balls, and much of the foil itself came from the pockets of tots too small to see across the roll-top desk, and whose offerings were poked over in little fistfuls, tightly crumpled. Old rubber came from the same sources, the contributions fluctuating from a baby's handful to the eighty-five pounds once brought in by a man with an automobile.

The Chapter House, once such a teeming hive of workers, seems very large and quiet in this spring of 1919, but it is grateful quietude, and one much needed for the rest of wornout women, who have in many cases been at home nursing influenza patients in their own families, or have suffered from it themselves. The knitters no longer throng in front of the scales on the yarn counter. The yarn is all used, and even the last remains of the "Gift Shop" fail to fill the windows. Ghosts of last summer's toil appear now and then when a box is opened and somebody's forgotten Red Cross apron falls out. There is at last room to move without encroaching upon somebody else's territory. The Home Service office occupies centre stage, where the white tables used to be, and it seems so far back from the door that theBoys in Khkaki who come in to ask how to send in their discharges have to look twice to descry the Red Cross flag of the Section.

However, the first consignment of garments cut, ready to be made up for the Belgian children made destitute by the war, has been received and catalogued, and there will still be "something to do for Red Cross" for a long time.

A.R.C. EXTENSION WORK IN ALLEN COUNTY.
August 1917, until December, 1918.

In the re-organization of the Chapter House forces, July 1917, Extension work was placed in the hands of Mrs. Anna M. Harding, of the Needlework Guild, who did not organize a standing committee, but marshaled special committees for special fields to prosecute this work, as on the two famous "Red Cross Sundays", September 23 and October 30, 1917, when twelve women gave short talks at the morning services of twenty different churches, their theme being the Nation s Need, and their appeal bringing hundreds of workers to the Red Cross Workshop. Again, a special team of five prominent Red Cross workers assisted Mrs. Harding in responding to calls for Red Cross talks at special gatherings, upward of forty meetings being thus addressed. The Chairman herself delivered sixty-four talks and was a whirlwind of enthusiasm leaving the most apathetic gathering warmed to action . Four of the Branches were organized under her leadership, and many auxiliaries. The work halted in December, 1918, but in case Refugee garments call for more helpers there is still territory to conquer for Civilian Relief. The Needlework Guild of America being officially affiliated with the National Red Cross, Mrs. Harding's appointment was particularly appropriate. The "Talk Teams" and their dates are given here where they may be heard in their own behalf. The speakers were:

On Red Cross Sunday: The Chairman
Mrs. Ralph Feagles
Mrs. Frank Bond
Mrs. William Crighton
Mrs. H.O. Brueggeman
Mrs. John P. Evans
Mrs. Arthur H. Remmel
Mrs. Mary D. Edson
Mrs. Allen Hamilton
Mrs. August Detzer
Mrs. Clarence Schoo
Miss Lavon Sperry
Miss Mallie Johns.

The churches visited on Red Cross Sunday were:

Wayne St. Methodist Episcopal	South Wayne Baptist
Simpson " "	Emanuel Baptist
First " "	Mount Olive Baptist
Trinity " "	Third Presbyterian
St Paul's " "	Bethany Presbyterian
Plymouth Congregational	Westminster Presbyterian
United Brethren	Grace Reformed Presbyterian
West Jefferson St. Church of Christ	First Evangelical
West Creighton Ave., " "	Crescent Ave. Evangelical
First Baptist	Colored Baptist

Special calls for the Talk Teams were answered by Mesdames Robert Harding, August Detzer, Brooke Sale, Allen Hamilton, Clarence Schoo, Fred Hoffman.

In September, Mrs. Harding addressed meetings of women at the following churches:

Simpson M.E.
Church of God
Emanuel Baptist

South Wayne Baptist
" " " Young Women
Trinity English Lutheran
St Cecilia Circle, King's Daughters
Hoagland Auxiliary
Anthony Wayne Lodge, Modern Americans
Leo Auxiliary
Mayhew, (Ind) United Brethren
Four Methodist churches at Arcola.

Mrs. Harding also responded to calls from the following, auxiliaries, places and occasions; to speak for Red Cross Extension:

The Willing Workers
Trinity Episcopal Parish Guild.

James H. Smart P-T Club.		St Patrick's Church Society	
Bloomingdale	" "	Precious Blood Society	
Jefferson	" "	Sandpoint School	
Hanna	" "	Grabill Auxiliary	
South Wayne	" "	Fort Wayne Circuit(Circles)	
Miner	" "	South Wayne W.C.T.U.	
Washington	" "	Crystal	W.C.T.U.
Hoagland	" "	Lilian Stevens W.C.T.U.	
Nebraska	" "	W.C.T.U. Institute	
Harmar	" "	Temple Sisterhood	
Clay	" "	New Haven Public Schools	
Lakeside Normal	" "	Woodburn Branch	
Emmaus Lutheran Church		Arcola Branch	
Maples, (Ind) Auxiliary		Elex Girls, G.E.Co.	
Rinehold Auxiliary		Banner Laundry Girls	
Union Chapel Auxiliary		Pythian Sisters	
Monroeville Branch, R.C.		New Haven Branch, R.C.	

Annual Meeting Red Cross Chapter
Convention, Indiana Federation of Women's Clubs
New Haven Commercial Festival
Battery B. AND D. Mothers
Leo, Public Gathering for Red Cross Drive
Three Days at Liberty Gardens Fair.

"And after the whirlwind, the still small voice" of the Sewing Units speak so modestly for themselves, in self-forgetful terms of garments made, that it takes a second reading to realize that the work was so all in all to these devoted women that they "kept no account" of their time--"just met and sewed all day," once, twice, or more times each week, and finished some astounding total of garments.

"We didn't organize--we just sewed" writes one secretary. Another protests, "It was just a wee mmite, and we were glad to have the opportunity to "do our bit"."

The leader of twenty-one workers who "gave what time they could" (a minimum of six hours per week), reports 892 garments for hospital, 49 for Refugees, and five Christmas boxes. Nobody counted all the knitting!

"We began with a social at which we made nearly four hundred dollars" is the simple statement of a fact, which is followed by a recital of work that balances the "beginning".

"The Chicken Supper at Sand Point School" is an event well remembered by many visitors from Fort Wayne. The interest

of the rural circles was as lively as that of the big bands of workers in the city.

The K.N.T. Knitting club started with seven members, and grew to forty-eight, who ranged from six to ninety years of age. They had a slogan, "Keep our boys warm, while they make it hot for the Kaiser". This club also sewed, sent boxes of sweets to boys in camp, and finally worked for the Gift Shop. Their leader, Mrs. G.W.Nesbitt, joined the Canteen service at Fort Wayne several times by invitation, carrying quantities of fresh flowers to the troop trains each time.

New Haven Branch maintained a central Red Cross Headquarters, the room being donated by the People's State Bank, on the second floor of the Bank building. The workshop was kept open every day except Saturday, and a committee was always in charge. Eighteen sewing machines were kept busy at the workshop and the whole town was included in the membership list, while one hundred and thirty-two workers and knitters filled the different departments. Numerous entertainments were given for the benefit of the work by different bands of school children. The fashion for this appears to have been set by seven little girls who gave a "Penny Show" in Dr. Morris' barn, which drew a crowded house, netting one dollar and five cents for the local Red Cross.

The Parent-teacher clubs of Fort Wayne were the nucleus of school sewing units all voting to devote the year to Red Cross work. Most of them produced fine results, especially in enlisting the children's interest. Much that was done has not been reported in words, but as far as possible to obtain them, the lists will be found in the Appendix.

The girls' clubs in the larger industries and business houses--the Dudlo, Foster Company, Boss Company, Knitting Mills, General Electric and Wolf and Dessauer girls, and others made marvelous records for themselves. The Southside Telephone Girls forty-four in number, adopted a French orphan on the proceeds of a quilt they made. The Boss Girls collected nearly $1500. in their mammoth Red Cross flag, made 108 dozen compresses and surgical sponges, and 2692 finished articles besides 110 pounds of clippings, for Emergency order.

If any are unmentioned it is the regret of the Chapter as much as of their own, for of everyone it may be said, "She hath done what she could".

The work of the Parent Teacher clubs at the schools is in no measure recorded in this narrative. Every school was organized for work, and served in guiding the Junior work, also. But the majority of these women were at the same time engaged in Red Cross work in their Church units, in neighborhood circles, and a large number of them in Chapter House and Warehouse activities, hence, their names will not in many instances be lacking from the lists in the Appendix as might at first appear. There was scarcely a Red Cross worker who was not a regular member of more than one sewing team, knitting circle, or surgical dressings class. Mrs. Henry J. Bowerfind, president of the Jefferson School club relates not only the work of the sewing unit, which was equipped with machines and established in the kindergarten room, but

also the Food Conservation demonstrations at the school, by which an office was established in Fort Wayne, and a Government Agent, who assisted in Conservation education all over the city. Here, too, waa the headquarters of the Victrola Record campaign, which resulted in the collection of over one thousand records which were sent to the boys in service.

The twelve teams of Trinity Episcopal Guild marshaled over one hundred and twenty women who gave faithful service at the Parish House circles, and served even mlre arduously at the Chapter House, the Warehouse , or the School units, besides a large number who gave their entire time to department work at the Chapter House and at the Canteen.

THE HOUSE COMMITTEE AT THE WORKSHOP.
(Which performed a duty all desired done, but none desired to do.)

The limited funds with which the Chapter began life, and the multiplicity of working lines to be established had left the actualities of the Chapter House to the uncertainties of all unpaid labor, during its first months of existence. In the re-organization of July 1917, which occurred in the middle of the heated period, certain improvements in the conditions presented themselves in an imperative light. The work was increasing in volume at a rapid rate, and the innumerable details of daily need were in evidence. A regular janitor had never been employed, because of the salary required. The women worked under disadvantage as to light and ventilation, and the precariousness of any kind of convenience. The newly appointed Chairman of the Workshop, Mrs. Charles E. Bond, advising with her lieutenants, created, for the general benefit of work and women, what was known as the House Committee, to cope with the situation, naming Mrs. Frank I. Brown as chairman.

Mrs. Brown 'began at the beginning', about the first of August, 1917, assembling a committee of assistants whose names, listed in the Appendix, speak for themselves in the matter of efficiency. "The House Committee was just a genuine Comfort Committee", remarked a prominent Red Cross woman in response to a query. And that was true, only not specific enough for this story. Ways and means of obtaining comforts had to be devised with respect to the fact that preferably, as far as humanly possible, they must be had without cost! But Mrs. Brown was equal to her task. If an extra chair or table was needed, a lender was found, Janitor service was engged, The plumbing was put in repair. Sanitary towels and liquid soap were placed in the lavatory for the welfare of work and workers. Systematic attention to the drinking water supply, and sanitary paper cups, was secured. The long rooms, open only at the ends, were unbearably hot; Electric fans were brought to the relief of the workers. The days were shortening, and the light was dim; new and better lighting was installed. Additional telephone service was needed and obtained. If there was anything, from a package of tacks to step-ladder, a dust cloth, waste basket, or display holder for tinfoil, a penny box, a sign-- the House Committee got it. A detail from the committee opened the doors at seven in the morning, and directed the janitor's labors-- after a janitor had been found. (Before that, they did janitor

duty themselves on frequent occasion.)

Near the end of September, 1917, Mrs. Brown tendered her resignation, on account of her impending removal from Fort Wayne, and with much regret it was accepted. She was succeeded, November 1, by Mrs. Alexandra Hudson, one of the Committee members, who filled the arduous post with distinction until the close. Mrs Hudson, though coming to a thoroughly organized work, was immediately confronted with the problems of approaching winter, in many respects quite different from those which had been met and mastered by the founder of the committee. Coal was needed for the somewhat inadequate furnace,--and nobody will soon forget the scarcity of coal during the winter of 1917-18, from which the Red Cross was no more immune than the smallest householder in the city. The only advantage given the Red Cross committee over any other business house during the coal famine, was a priority of order vouchsafed by Fuel Administrator Henry Beadell that the work of mercy might not be halted.

The House Committee was enlarged to sixteen members, corresponding to the sixteen periods of work indicated in "House Rule No. 1," (see Appendix), a detail of the committee being supposably on duty for each period. Not always could this individual schedule be maintained, and double duty was frequent among the group, several of whom were girls who worked in stores, and who gave up not only their noon hour, but sometimes their luncheon in order to serve an extra turn for Red Cross. Those who had to rise before daylight in order to open the Workshop doors by seven-thirty o'clock, in the mornings of that terrible winter, knew what hardship was!

All the petty details of house-keeping except cooking and dishwashing were represented in the duties of the House Committee. The whole responsibility of safety of the Chapter House and its priceless contents lay on their shoulders. They were the Keepers of the Key. Many a tour of inspection, at late hours or on Sunday, was made, to "make assurance doubly sure" that nothing was being tampered with, in those days danger was suspected of lurking in every corner.

A mail box was set up near the elevator, into which everyone was advised to drop their requests or suggestions or criticisms concerning house matters. Some odd things passed through that box! But most of the suggestions were serious and reasonable, and all, if signed, were accorded prompt attention. A delicate tact was an imperative quality in this, certainly. April, 1918, the Chapter House was closed for three days and given a thorough renovation, the floors being scrubbed, and the entire lower room being treated to a fresh coat of paint, and the furniture washed and rubbed down. During Saturday, Sunday and Monday the janitor and three women worked incessantly, under the personal supervision of Mrs. Hudson, whose seat of authority was step-ladder, most of the time. Tuesday morning the House re-opened for work.

Wolf and Dessauer kept the window trimming attractive with timely changes. The janitorship, heretofore held by a variety of individuals of greater or less efficiency, requiring constant direction was now given permanently to Jacob Ahner , a reliable householder and citizen of Fort Wayne, whose capability and faithfulness made the subsequent duties of the House committee very much lighter.

Apportionment of floor space among the departments according to their changing needs was a task which "furnished spice of life to the Chapter" relates the Chairman, in speaking of the re-arrangements following the house-cleaning. "So many opinions on the subject sprang into being that for two or three weeks the desks seemed endowed with the mysterious of the Ouija board. The Executive Secretary was likely to find her desk behind the elevator one morning, and at the front window the next, while the Information desk, during the transitional period, acted like an erratic compass, serving at every possible angle" until at last the amusing antics of the office furniture ceased, and each unit of the force settled into its own best niche, and rested. Affairs became stable and everything ran with oiled smoothness, the House Committee having little to do until it developed that their help was badly needed on the Information forces of both night and day, and they were absorbed by "The Shopkeepers".

All "house " bills were audited and paid by the Chairman of the House committee, who reported to the Chairman of the Workshop.

During the Influenza epidemic, when the house was kept open night and day, the janitor worked early and late, keeping the place heated with commendable faithfulness. Gratitude is expressed by the Chairman for the generosity of merchants and private homes in loans of furniture and conveniences large and small, all of which were made with equal eagerness to serve the Red Cross and in many cases meant real sacrifice.

The modest bearings on the Committee's armorial shield, described by Mrs. Hudson as "a broom, a coal shovel and a step-ladder ", should be enriched by the addition of a palm, labeled "Diplomacy".

THE ELEVATOR COMMITTEE.

Removal of the Sewing department to the second floor of the Chapter House, and of the Cutting and Stock rooms to the third floor, made the use of the elevator advisable, and the creation of a special committee necessary, unless the workers werev to waste ebergy in climbing the long stairways, or the Chapter be put to the added expense of an elevator boy. Mrs. Brown , of the House Committee decide to form a committeeof girls for this purpose, and Miss Mary Evans was appointed chairman. Ten girls composed the first "uplift"team,each of them learning the art of operating theelevator, and taking turns at the really resonsible post. Elevator travel became very popular at once, and the team already needed enlarging whenMiss Evans was called out of the city for a few weeks, and a flurry of weddings among the personnel of the committee brought matters to a crisis. Mrs. Bond re-organized the forces and from among"the faithful" appointed Miss Ruth Levy,chairman, augmenting the muster roll of the committee to eighteen members. The hours of service were fixed from 9: to 12: A.M., and from 2:to 5: P.M.,each girl being responsible for a half days's service, in turn. Whenever a janitor was possible , he was hired to operate the elevator from 12: to 2: P.M. New girls were being continually added to the roll,as being an elevator girl was no sinecure, and tacit resignations were rather frequent. Other work called the girls importunately, also. Hence, in April,1918, it became necessary to engage a regular "Elevator Girl" for morning service, and Miss Jessie Gifford was chosen. Miss Levy remained at the post of chairman for a full year, resigning at last to enter the Motor Corps. Mrs. Rodebaugh was appointed in her place,holding the position until elevator service was no longer needed.

The Elevator girls deserve especial commendation,with their faithful chairman, conserving so much valuable timeand energy for the workshop. They were good operators, too, and there was never an accident during the whole year and more--except when, one noon,the chairman of Surgical cutting essayed to elevate the chairman of Purchasing to the top floor, and a projecting board on the floor of the cage halted the trip in mid air, the Chairman of the Workshop coming to the rescue, as usual, when any department was in trouble!.

DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION.

"THE EVENING SHOPKEEPERS".
("For they were desirous to ask--")

There was work for everybody in the Red Cross. One found it sooner or later--unless it found them first. Sometimes it was an accidental meeting, but nearly always it was by the law of natural attraction that work and worker met.

It was inevitable that the Red Cross Chapter House should become a storm centre of questions. There was so much going on that was new to everybody;so nearly everybody was vitally interested in it all; and the most direct way to find out what one did not knw was to ask some who did know. The Red Cross was besieged with questions of such various nature (but of entire pr pertinence, for the greater part) that answering them was soon a serious interference with the business of the workshop. Also, the right persons to answer questions were often too busy to hear or answer a question, which to the questioner might have an interest approaching tragedy, or might mean a loss of valuable hours of working time.

Mrs. Detzer,vice- chairman of the Chapter, had given much time,from the start, to satisfying the universal thirst for information, but with no especial official location, it was at the greatest sacrifice and inconvenience that such service could be rendered the public. When, therefore, Miss Margaret Hanna openly "wished for something to do", Mrs. Detzer replied,
"Could you go down to Red Cross tonight and help by answering people who come to ask questions?Dorothy and I have been going down, but it is impossible for either of us to be there tonight". And of course Miss Hanna went.

Everybody was very busy at the Chapter House, and it is probable that had there been two Miss Hannas not all of the questions that were waiting to be asked could have been answered; but it was enough that"something to do" had been found, which kept her at alert attention every minute of the evening. She went again and again,steadily, for two weeks or more,following the 13th of June,1917,unobtrusively filling a little niche. She had no official duties,but having undertaken to do something, made it a duty and performed it with growing assiduity. Then she began to enlist a little help, for the Executive Committe had not yet seen fit to create an Information department, and her service remained a votice offering, for some time longer. It was not until after the re-organization of the Workshop in July, that Miss Hanna was finally authorized to claim a local habitation and a name for the committee of helpers, and to evolve a schedule of service, the offical title of "The Evening Shopkeepers" being applied to them.

Activities at first had varied from chasing out an unwelcome dog, to persuading a tipsy Spanish war veteran to leave the place

without police assistance, locking the doors and windows after the evening working units had departed, and putting out the lights. The night policeman on the beat soon relieved them of the latter heavy tasks, and as the usefulness of the Shopkeepers developed, two attendants were necessary every evening and a plan of team work devised, to carry out the real intent of the committee, the dispensation of information to anxious questioners.

"The Night Desk" soon assumed a character and individuality quite its own, and though its success suggested the formation of the Day Committee, there was difference of effect, if not of spirit. In the evenings, when the Chairman of the workshop was not present, the Desk took on the significance of a dispensing bureau and a reception committee combined. Perhaps the Evening Shopkeepers were less besieged with merely curious questions than the Day Committee. There was, at night, an opportunity for recognition of the faithful workers of the night tables; a moment in which the women who worked at night could hear a word which put them in touch with their sisters who worked in the daytime; sometimes, a little "apartness" in which a word of confidence, not expressible in the day, might be exchanged with the sympathetic "girl at the desk", and a little real advice asked and given. Sometimes a tear fell on the desk, or something sadder than tears sent the girl home with an ache in her own heart. Came little mothers, who begged for hope that the long-delayed letter might still come from the boy who was "somewhere in France"; followed by a father who asked, in the dry tearless grief of men, for "an arm band with a gold star, for his mother and me", and the sudden grasp of the girl's hand spoke the sympathy that could not be trusted to speech, for the loss of an only boy.

Then again, mother and father came together to tell of "a, long letter that very morning, from him", and the joy of that also infected the girl at the desk. There were twenty of them, these "girls at the desk", but just one spirit among them all. Whether it was to hand out a parcel marked for some Circle worker or to weigh a portion of yarn for a knitter, every duty was done with the same courtesy and sympathy.

They were there to meet the girls and women who, after working all day in store, office, factory or home, gave two of their evenings every week to do their bit for Red Cross, and if they were weary—as often they must have been—never said nor acted it. What a pretty picture they made bending over the white tables, in white aprons, and white veils, their deft fingers placing, measuring, folding, stitching, layer upon layer of white absorbent gauze and cotton! There was pleasant comradeship at the white work-tables at night, but less conversation than in the daytime classes; plenty of smiling but little laughter; chiefly noticeable was the steady application to the work. Among them many a little mother who could work for Red Cross only at night, because then 'father' could safeguard the children. Sometimes the mother could not talk if she would, for her tongue was a stranger to every English word

except "Goodnight", which everybody knows. But at the night desk they spoke a language of eyes amd smiles, and a friendship so made may sweeten a lifetime, for smiles have been known to say

"Isn't it beautiful that we can work together here to help our boys across the sea?"

and they may even speak the beauty of a summer moon--as they did--to a little Polish mother, who answered, just as unmistakeably, that 'always she had loved it so, in the fair land of Poland.

Shop-keeping was arducus work, by day of by night, and called for sacrifice on the part of everyone; but it was gladly made, and it will never be regretted. There were some who did double duty, filling a place in the schedules of both night and day committees. Mrs. Edward White and Mrs. James Shields and others did so, the former doing duty as Chairman of both teams for several weeks in the second year. Miss Hanna held the chair of the Shop-keepers steadily from June 1917 until April 1918, when her place was filled for six weeks by Mrs. Shields; from June 1, until August, 1918, Mrs. White supplied, being then appointed official chairman upon Miss Hanna's resignation. About the first of October, 1918, the day and night committees of information were merged under the able chairmanship of Mrs White and Mrs Shields, Mrs. N.D.Doughman, an active member of the force being then engaged in the nursing survey, at the height of the influenza epidemic.

THE INFORMATION DESK.
(originally "the telephone committee")

The value of the Evening Shop-keepers being immediately apparent. Mrs. Charles E. Bond, Chairman of the Workshop, acting in accordance with general sentiment, established an Information Department for day duty, the particular mission of which should be the answering of every query possible to meet . Mrs. N.D.Doughman, up to then an active assistant in the Invoicing and Packing Department was appointed chairman of this new bureau, and a day desk was installed, convenient to the entrance.

Mrs. Doughman's first duty was to assemble a team of women who could form a complete chain of competent attendants at this desk for the daytime shop hours. Every link in the chain was naturally expected to be well-informed on war work in general, or equipped with knowledge of accessible sources of such information; to have a practical knowledge of every department in the workshop; and to be an animate compendium of wisdom. To be really efficient she needed also to be endowed with sympathetic understanding, quick wit, unlimited patience, self-possession , and a sense of own humor. When, therefore, to her hours of service, the chairman had addeda rotation of nearly twenty wise women, the achievement might justly be rated 'notable'.

The Information department became promptly a veritable magazine for the reception of inquiry varying from the pathetic to the tragic, or swinging round to the laughable--though it is doubtful if there were not, in every question, an element of tragedy or of pathos to the many who "were desirous to ask". Many a question indicated the wild mal-information which flew from mouth to mouth over the back fences of cottage dwellers:

"If I join the Red Cross would I have to leave my family and work for it whenever the Government demanded it?asked a cautious, worried wife and mother.

"What is the color of hat-bands in the Signal Corps?"

"What kind of uniform does a Canadian soldier wear?" (Girls' questions of course)

"Can my husband go to war without my consent?" asks a reluctant wife.

"I've sewed a lot for the Red Cross. May I send one pair of these pajamas to my own husband?"inquires another.

"Are bed-shirts open in the front or in the back?"

Is it true that the French wear the pajamas we make, on the ~~streets~~?"

"Where is Camp Lewis?"

"Who are the gauze teachers this evening?"come questions in close succession. The telephone rings--

"If I am down to the heel now, what shall I do next?"

"If I come right down, will you show me how to close a toe?"

As the transmitter slips back into the socket,

"Where is Camp Custer, and how do you get there?" and "How do you fold a "T" bandage?" come in at either ear. The telephone again: "Can you have the work ready for our sewing society by two o'clock?"Another ring, andnthis time it is:"

"Say, are you still saving tinfoil?" Then,

"How many inches long are you making socks,now?"and

"How do you shrink yarn?"must be sati sfied before an inquirer at the desk can be told how to locate her son, from whom she "hasn't heard in three months", and another presses forward to seek direction to "the nearest hospital with a pschopathic ward?"-- and there is tragedy not very far from both of those queries.

The bluntness of the woman who demanded:

"I want my husband to go to war. Can I force him to do so?" required the same gravity of countenance as

"Where do I go to adopt a French Orphan?" or "Can we send packages to France, now?"

After the first week, the attempt to jot down even the number of questions asked or telephone calls received each day, was abandoned on account of its sheer impossibility. No idea of the constancy of the stream of inquiry can be given those who were not daily observers or workers at the desk. And of all the departments of the Chapter House. Information bade fair, in February, 1919 to be the last in operation. Mrs. Doughman remained at the head of the Information desk until August, 1918, when she resigned to take up Home Service training, being followed during August and September by Mrs. J.A.Rossell, after which date the day and night desks were merged under Mesdames White and Shields. Mrs. Doughman remained a member of the Committee, doing detail work as often as any member, and doing major duty by special appointment of Chairman B.Paul Mossman in the Nursing Survey during all the weeks of the later influenza scourge in February and March 1919, her reliability and good sense making her service invaluable.

COMFORTS FOR FIGHTING MEN.

"I never knew what good the Red Cross was until I hit the Army! (From a soldier's post-card.)

The two branches of extra work for soldiers authorized by the American Red Cross, Knitted Articles and Comfort Kits, were merged into one department, known in the Chapters as "Comforts for Fighting Men", when organized under the regulations of the Central Committee. Locally, the new department was placed under the chairmanship of Mrs. August Detzer, the two committees composing it having been tentatively at work for some time, without formal organization.

KNITTING opened formally August 6, 1917, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Brooke Sale, with two vice chairmen, Mrs. Frank Smock and Mrs. Roger Fisher. A "Navy League", organized in May, 1917 for navy knitting work, was later consolidated with this Red Cross knitting department, by special adjustment of the financial affairs of each through the wise and tactful agency of Mrs. Detzer, and the combined committee consisted of Mrs. Sale, Chairman, Mrs. Max Fisher and Mrs. Arthur Perfect.

It had been hoped in the beginning to make the Knitting a self supporting work, but this was found impossible, as hundreds of knitters valuable to the work, were unable to purchase yarn at war prices. An arrangement was effected whereby the yarn was furnished to the knitters, the wool being charged out and in, by a card catalogue system, kept by Miss Josephine Dinnen until her departure, and from that time on by Miss Clara Poole. Inspection of knitting was in charge of Miss Emma Rurode, with Mrs. Charles Niezer, Mrs. John Thieme and Mrs. Arthur E. Smith as sub-chairmen. Many different expert knitters composed the teaching forces, during the following fifteen months, among them Mrs. E.P. Johnson, Mrs. Joseph Loos, and Mrs. Louise Colmey, who were with the department almost continually for the entire campaign, a long list of assistants giving occasional aid.

An army of over two thousand knitters gathered, and the output of knitted articles from Fort Wayne was on a par with that of the other great working departments. Many men not able to do manual labor joined the knitters army. Children of ten years did marvels of work, and grandmothers of four score years renewed the triumphs of their youth in out-knitting their daughters. It is impossible to cite particular cases and names, but one of the remarkable records was the faithful knitting of two sweaters every week, by a woman who was earning her living by sewing!

In June, 1918, Mrs. Detzer, being requested to take up the Bureau Personnel work, Mrs. H. Brooke Sale became Chairman of Comforts for Fighting Men, with Mrs. Herman Freiburger as chairman of knitting, while the committee consisted of Mesdames Artemas W. Pickard, Fred E. Hoffman, Max Fisher, and John Landenburger.

"Comfort Kits", the 'left wing' of the department of "Comforts", also had its bit of history prior to its entrance into the Chapter work. All Chapter work being done on the basis of "materials furnished" and no charge to the rightful recipients, it was a patent impossibility for any Chapter to give "comfort kits" which cost not less than five dollars to make. Yet "comfort

were a necessity to boys who were leaving home and mother to face their own darning, button sewing and mending of socks, trousers and cut fingers. Very early in the summer, in fact, as early as it was realized that several hundred Fort Wayne boys would be sent to training camps within a few months, the W.C.T.U. chapters all over the city took up this work in their Soldiers and Sailors' department. They made a smaller, much less expensive kit than was afterward prescribed by the Red Cross, but it was practical and useful. It was the intention of the W.C.T.U. women to give these kits to every Allen county soldier boy. More than two hundred of the kits were thus given away, of which Mrs. Lilian Kerr personally made almost one hundred and twenty-five. It was found, however, impossible to continue this practice to the end. By this time the Central Committee of the A.R.C. had passed a new ruling, whereby Red Cross chapters might establish Comfort Kit departments provided they could be made self-supporting. Mrs. Charles Knight then began the making of Red Cross comfort kits at the Chapter House, assisted by her daughter, Miss Alice Knight--at that time secretary to Mrs. Bond--and others of the Chapter House force who now and then give a moment to hand work. The funds for the purchase of material came from private purses and the mite box which stood at the door. The kits were to be sold to soldiers--or to friends, for soldiers-at the bare cost of the material at wholesale. A donation of fifty dollars from the University Club rather suddenly put the committee in position to open the department on a solid basis, and for a day or two it appeared as if Fort Wayne Chapter was operating a rival kit factory to the W.C.T.U. Mrs. Knight, however, and daughter went away about this time, and the kit work was left with Mrs. Ralph Feagles, who also assumed the secretarial duties of Miss Alice Knight. Everyone was very busy, and Mrs. Bond decided to invite the W.C.T.U. women to assume the Red Cross Comfort Kit department, and a pleasant arrangement to that end was effected without delay between the Workshop and Mrs. Martha Ridenour of the W.C.T.U., who appointed Mrs. W.N.Bloom chairman, Mrs. L.M.Thompson assistant, and Mrs. Frank Leikauf and many others lieutenants. Mrs. Feagles as "stock-keeper" dispensed and checked off materials. Mrs Bloom after a few months removed to California, leaving a vacancy which was filled by the appointment of Mrs. Fred Hoffman of the Knitting department, who remained in office until after the war ended, bringing the work and affairs to a most satisfactory close. Through the mite box and the University club the committee had been enabled to bestow a kit upon any boy who had need of one, to the extent of thirty-five kits, besides the great number purchased by those who were able to pay for their own.

THE RED CROSS GIFT SHOP.

"A market into which is poured all things, or good or bad,
And out of which there comes a chance for every fighting lad.
Bring in! Give! Buy! Carry on! Carry on! "
(Maude Sperry Turner)

"The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, or whither it goeth." The Red Cross Gift Shop idea is believed to have originated in what we used to call "Merrie England"; but some swift bird of passage--it wasn't an airplane--carried it west across the Atlantic and, without stopping in boston or New York, told the story of it in Los Angeles, where the first American Red Cross Gift Shop was opened soon afterward.

From there the coast breezes wafted The Idea northward to Washington, one of the Shops inspired by it being located at Tacoma, where a Red Cross heart from Fort Wayne happened to find it. That was in February, 1918. Presently the Owner of that Red Cross heart traveled homeward, with the Idea just bursting it.

It was such an infectious Idea that everybody caught it who listened to it, and of course the Red Cross Ear listened. People had already begun to bring unasked for gifts to the Chapter House. A table had to be set apart to hold them, and very soon the table seemed too small, besides, the Chapter House was very crowded. So, when Mrs. Feagles suggested that a Gift Shop might be opened, her thought met with instant favor, and she herself was appointed Chairman of the venture.

Notwithstanding its joyousness, the responsibility was was not without weight, the first unit of which was the principle that a gift shop is not a gift shop if it involves any expense outside that of love and willing labor. Store-rent, lighting, heating and care, advertising, carting, and stock--all must be free offerings to the Shop. It took faith to go into business upon such a basis, with no guaranty except an Idea, fetched very far, indeed, over many leagues of sea and land. It took vision to pierce through people's stoic exteriors and see that in the homes of Fort Wayne and Allen county were hundreds of white elephants hidden from view, and to believe that a market for every white elephant in the county could be found at a Red Cross Gift Shop. However, the Chairman and her assistants possessed both faith and vision, and it is upon record that they never faltered before any obstacle. For a Red Cross heart may belong (and this one did) to a woman who would rather die than ask an advantage for her own benefit, but who would beard a lion in its den for the Red Cross.

There is a pretty little corner store room in the Strand Theatre building. It was vacant, and it seemed to beckon Mrs. Feagles, who smiled back at companionably, and went in search of Mr. Quimby, who owned it. After some delay Mr. Quimby was found, and being asked with a smile for that corner room, smilingly granted the request.

By this time there was a bevy of Red Cross hearts all ready to work. Their owners rolled up their sleeves, and cle aned the corner shop with their own hands, arranging the rapidly accumulat ing "stock" to the best advantage, displaying feminine art and taste in putting the best foot of each white elephant foremost. There were scores of them, but the necromancy of the Gift Shop made them all seem good and gray and useful. And there were other things in such bewildering variety as to defy detailed description. There were things up-to-date, smart, new. They came from the shelves of merchants. Old fineries hung side by side with these practical garments of the day. The attics had yawned and the cedar chests had brought forth. Top shelves of china closets, and remnant tables of department stores vied with one another to fill every inch of space. There was not an epoch of fancy-work through which Fort Wayne had ever passed but was represented on the Gift Shop shelves, tables and walls. There were things showy and things modest; things cheap and things costly; pretty trifles and articles of plain daily usefulness; long piprized heirlooms and long disprized Christmas and wedding gifts; things fragile and things substantial; things for every room in the house, and some not intended for the house at all; things commonplace, ugly; quaint, beautiful.

The doors of the Gift Shop were opened to the public on the fourth day of May, 1918, as the public flocked in. The Chairman and her coterie made capital saleswomen. Within a week the Shop was a teeming mart, its fame already spread to the far corners of the county.

It was just about then that a reporter called to get "a story", intending to describe the stock minutely, and thus to stimulate trade. Pad and pencil in hand he stated his errand and was bidden to look about and see for himself. First the "lead", then, "Stock includes--" and the pencil poised, the reporter's eyes began to wander up and down and around things and even behind things, to find a place to begin, furtive dashes at the pad being now and then made and halted mid-air. How to itemize this stock? Then he wrote, "everything, except--again the eyes wandered, and-"whipsockets for automobiles" he concluded, with triumphant epitomization. And that, though a humorous quip, was closely allied to the truth. But it wasn't all humorous, as a glance at another phase of the Gift Shop will show. If the attics, and the cedar chests, and the top shelves had yielded their accumulations, it was really, as the chairman said, "out of people's hearts" the Gift Shop was stocked and replenished throughout months of rushing trade. Genuine sacrifice, voluntary and glad, but sacrifice nevertheless, [illegible] enhanced the value of the articles offered for sale. There was added attractiveness, for instance, in the clever novelties in handbags, pinwheels, laundry bags, sewing bags, and pincushions (made from somebody's piecebag, or the satin skirt of a passe party gown) when one knew that the South Side "Hello Girls" had given up all their recreation time to fashion them for the Gift Shop counters, which made one eager to buy. There was a marvelous fineness in the tatting table cover when one knew that an old, old lady made it on purpose to give to the Red Cross Gift Shop. The timeworn smoothness of a certain little chair of common pattern became somehow more desirable than new finish, after the customer heard how many babies "Grandmother had rocked to sleep in it. The very nicks in a little wash-gilt

frame seemed made purposely to suit the fancy of some one who was fitting up an"old-fashioned corner", because it reminded her of the little gilt-framed print which hung in the room where she used to sleep when she went to visit Grandma,in her pinafore days- too long ago to confess!

There were precious possessions offered for sale, which money would not have sufficed to buy, only to help the Red Cross through its Gift Shop. A modest little woman came one day,and with tears trembling on her lashes,laid in the Chairman's palm a little gold locket, saying,"This belonged to my dead daughter,and I wouldn't have parted with it for anything else in the world, but I want to give it to the Red Cross". Burnished by a mother's tears,that little bauble was the brightest thing in the Shop. It was the only thing she had. And that was why the Chairman said the gifts "came out of people's hearts".

The Shop came very soon to have an individuality, a charm --given it, no doubt, by the touches women lavish on their homes but which are seldom felt in places of public barter and exchange. It was a Shop of pleasant greetings,whether one came to buy or to bring,or merely to look and wonder. So many pretty remnants and silk pieces were donated that sewing clubs were formed to convert them into saleable articles. Not alone the Hello Girls, but the Southside Gift Shop Sewing Club, and the Y.W.C.A. Sewing club banded themselves into working units for the Shop. Mrs. Earl Harshbarger conducted a sewing department at the Shop for several weeks, then Miss Florence Griebel took it up; after which the three clubs already mentioned were organized by Mrs. Herman Heisler, and all of them worked until nothing was left to sew.

When the Red CrossAuction was preparing, the Gift Shop turned over to the committee many things which were too large to be handled in the Shop,while the Auction committee,in turn, donated to the Shop some unsold,yet available articles left from their whirlwind week in Spetember. A little help was given, and a little received. All was carried on in perfect harmony.

Boy Scouts fetched and carried for the Shop,delivering purchases to distant points when they were too heavy or too large to be carried by the purchaser.

At the end of the first month the Chairman wrote a check to the ChapterHouse for $500.00. At the end of the second month, July 3, $550.00 was was written on the slip that fluttered across the Chapter House desk. August 3, a third check,for $500.39 came merrily after. September fell a little short of the mark set,the check reading only $452.62;but October made up for that by rolling up around $850.00.

And then the "Flu" came to Fort Wayne,and the weather turned prematurely cold. The corner Shop was not heated--and white elephants do not sell well in cold climates! So,the need of a heated store room was advertised by the newspapers,(Will anybody ever add up the long columns of free space given by the Fort Wayne newspapers?) and Mr. Guy Bassett responded with the offer of a vacant room at 711 Court street,and there the second "Opening" took place,Thanksgiving Eve,just in time to catch the holiday trade of 1918. From that day until after New Year, The Motion Picture Theatres featured on the screens this holiday slogan of the Gift Shop:

"MAKE THE RED CROSS GIFT SHOP A CHRISTMAS PRESENT. BUY ONE FROM IT".

And everybody that could did give the Shop a present. The Southside Telephone Girls each gave one more, though they had been making "presents" all the summer and fall. And hundreds of people "bought one from it". The check that went over the roll-top desk at the Chapter House January 7, 1919, read, $1,580.28! Four weeks later, $428.21 was added to the column.

Nobody knows how long it might have kept up had there been a positive continued need for it. But all material things, like free rental and free lights and free telephone service, and even white elephant herds and attics--like that one in Maude's story, which ran away down town-- have an end; and being a real Gift Shop, it couldn't stand paying for anything with mere money. So, it had to close out--with a regular "closing out sale", like a blaze of glory at the end and a final check of $888.96. The gross receipts of the Shop from May, 1918 to March, 1919, (closed six weeks during removal) were $6156.31, with goods to the valuation of $100. yet to be sold at the Chapter House. With these disposed of there was no trace of the Shop left except a pleasant memory--the very pleasantest of all the Red Cross Chapter! Certain pictures will linger long in the mind. Few of us will ever pass the Strand corner without seeing, mentally, the distracting array of charming odds and ends of household treasure, and Mrs. Feagles, or Louise Pixley, or one or another of the Gift Shop Galaxy poised in the center of the picture, displaying, selling, dusting and daintifying the place and stock woman'a art and deftness. But the good it did will never end. Just a ripple, maybe, it was; but it helped to swell that great wave of mercy which swept across the Atlantic carrying healing and succor to war-harassed France and Belgium.

THE JUNIOR RED CROSS.

"A worthy offspring of 'the Greatest Mother in the World'".
(Mary Drayer Edson)

No more appealing story will be told in the history of Red Cross work in Fort Wayne and Allen county than that of the Junior Red Cross. Its spontaneity, its eagerness, its absence of self-seeking and its absolute democracy, all combine to place it apart and to surround it with a little halo of light like early sunbeams--the free-will offering of children!

Once, long ago, on a Galilean hillside, a great multitude, eager to learn, clamored to be taught by the Master. Far from their homes, they hungered for food, having followed unprepared. And the Master, having pity on them, desired them to be fed, asking of his disciples,

"Whence shall we buy bread?"

And a lad was found who offered the contents of his basket, "five barley loaves and two little fishes". No more; but with this the Master fed the five thousand.

Down through more than nineteen centuries the free-will offering of that lad of Galilee seems to send a gleam to join that of the joyous, loving service of happy children in America to the hungry, homeless little sufferers of France and Belgium,

through the Junior Red Cross.

"And of the fragments that remained"--
but wait, and hear! The Junior Red Cross is an official part of the American Red Cross, conceived, planned and authorized in and by the councils of that organization in response to an insistent call to "Let the children help". Its purpose is to educate our children in the brotherhood of humanity through service to humanity; to teach the beauty of all service through specific service to the suffering and the needy. It gave to the boys and girls of the United States an opportunity to render direct service to our fighting men in the war with Germany, and to the helpless war sufferers among our allies. It gives, perennially, an opportunity for service, and also a purpose in preparation for service in any emergency of human need that may hereafter arise.

The service of the Junior Red Cross is accomplished by the children in the natural course of school work, and, as many teachers will testify, becomes a tremendous motive for doing high grade work. Membership in the Junior Red Cross is open to all children at private, parochial or public schools, upon payment of an annual due, for each school year, of twenty-five cents. Children under fourteen years of age, not attending any school, may also become associate members of the Junior Red Cross by paying twenty-five cents annual dues to the nearest school where a Junior Auxiliary is established. Junior Red Cross membership does not, under any circumstances, constitute membership in the Chapter proper. In order to connect the program of the Junior Red Cross with the local Chapter authorities, a Chapter School Committee" is appointed by the Chairman of the Chapter with a chairman who must be chosen from the Executive Committee of the Chapter. This Chapter School Committee is the local body responsible for the work of all Junior Red Cross units organized in the territory controlled by the Chapter; is appointed at the beginning of each school year; and serves throughout one year.

The Junior Red Cross in Fort Wayne was inaugurated officially by the Chapter School Committee, appointed by Chairman B.Paul Mossman, just after the middle of December, 1917. Organization work was directed by Dr. Jessie C. Calvin, chairman, assisted by Mrs. Mary D. Edson as Supervisor of Work, and Miss Angeline Chapin as secretary and treasurer; while the Lutheran schools were represented by Paul Luecke; the Catholic schools by Mrs P.J.McDonald, and the Public schools by Prof Louis C. Ward, Mr.F.M.Price and Miss Margaret McPhail.

Though the campaign was hampered by the failure of badge buttons and literature to arrive on time, many schools in city and county reported "100%" membership before the schools closed for the holidays, St Vincent s Orphanage being the first. Thirty-three schools were organized in December, and eleven of the twenty townships of Allen county rounded up thirty more in the following weeks of the winter, "all of them clamoring lustily for 'something to do for Red Cross'".

The committee, who had worked for sometime previous to the arrival of instructions, were gratified upon receipt of the literature, to find that their proceedings in organization had

been in perfect accord with the National order' and also gratified because the zeal of the children and the fine spirit of co-operation between superintendent, principals and teachers had made Fort Wayne one of the first cities in the United States to report a Junior Red Cross organization.

As a point of fact, there were numerous volunteer groups of children doing Red Cross work of various sorts early in the summer of 1917, while, under direction of Mrs. Edson, instructor in Domestic Science in the High School, knitting and refugee sewing was progressing with great enthusiasm long before the Chapter was vested with authority to organize a Junior Red Cross.

The story of Mrs. Edson's work in this direction is of the greatest interest, and without it no account of the Junior Red Cross would be complete. An attendant and graduate from Chapter House classes, she initiated the girls of her classes at the High School in the great relief work of the Red Cross, and inspired them with earnest enthusiasm for a part in it.

The girls had no dues, no treasury from which to draw for purchasing materials. Hospital garments could only be made from prescribed fabrics, and the Chapter House could not provide these without due authority. Very well. Their outlook must be refugee garments. Donations from the home sewing room, in the character of ends and pieces; half-worn underwear of good quality; the available parts of discarded school frocks--everything, in short, which provided a piece of material of any possible use--was solicited from the students and their friends.

From the old garments, she taught the girls how to take what was best from two, and to construct tasty combination frocks almost prettier than new. From the half-worn undergarments, the good parts were selected and neat, comfortable underwear for little refugees was shaped from what must otherwise have been wasted. All scraps were snipped into filling for comfort pillows, and every tag-end and strip was converted into carpet rags.

For the knitting, Mrs Edson's ways and means of securing the indispensable yarn, before there was any surce of revenue other than the pupils' contributions of material, were both clever and unique, as well as admirable. She asked, from her own friends and acquaintances, contributions of left over snags of yarns, no matter how faded, small or even moth-eaten. Old crocheted and knitted articles seemingly hopeless and ready for the rag-bag were solicited. If gay, all the better; but nothing was rejected, no matter how soiled or torn. These were ravelled, the yarn wound into hanks and washed, coming out like new under her skilful treatment. Much of it was re-dyed, making dull drabs and old yellowed whites into rainbows of pleasing color. Once more wound into balls it was given to the girls and boys, who knit it into square blocks which they joined together under a teacher's directions, making afghans, or, as they became expert with the needles, into children's hoods and scarfs.

New wine, however, may not be put into old bottles; neither may new babies be put into old sacques. New yarn was needed for the layette knitting, Just at that time an old gentleman, lame and unfit for manual labor, sent an inquiry to the Chapter for knitting to do. He was a good knitter, but could not afford to buy yarn. A well known Red Cross woman gave, privately, (this was before the Knitting branch had been financed) the

money with which Mrs. Edson supplied the willing knitter, and when the yarn thus purchased was sold in the form of a sweater, to a mother who wanted it for her soldier boy, the original gift was increased to a neat little fund with which the soft yarn was provided for the cunning baby sacques and caps she taught the girls how to fashion.

When the Junior Red Cross finally was organized, this work did not stop, but, with increased resources and workers, a vastly increased output resulted. The Chapter House cutting room sent its scraps and remnants from larger garments to the Juniors, who, as soon as work was resumed after holidays, January, 1918, plunged eagerly into it, and would gladly have spent much more time than the stipulated two hours per month, had they been permitted. Home work was done, of course, by many, and the little knitters carried their work everywhere, just like their mothers.

Nothing was wasted. The tiniest fragments were snipped into pillow fillings by tiny hands that could do little more, and there was "something to do for Red Cross" for every class. Tinfoil collecting and twine conservation were pursued with unflagging earnestness. The first call for empty flour sacks for holding carpet rags brought such an avalanche of bags that a second call was never necessary.

Work of all kinds was so signally successful that a Junior Red Cross exhibit lasting three days (May 22, 23, and 24, 1918) was held at the Rest Room in the Court House, being visited by hundreds who marveled at the variety and quality of the work, which included balls of carpet rags, piles of comfort pillows, large and small comforters, warm clothing for refugees, dainty baby things, socks, sweaters, afghans, and a tableful of gifts to be sold, which netted nearly twenty-five dollars.

Vacation came. but the Junior Red Cross "carried on". All over the city groups of children gave their recreation time to "work for Red Cross" in the neighborhood circles, at the playgrounds, and the Y.W.C.A., many of them under direction, others upon their own initiative. From the Playgrounds, four canning clubs were organized, in which eighty-six girls learned the arts of canning and making jellies, and in addition, learned to tithe, - for one tenth of their products were prepared for the Fresh Air school. The summer's work, from July 1, to September 1 1918, aggregated nine hundred and fifty-three pieces, large and small together. Three hundred and twenty-four pieces were included included in layettes, and eighty-three knitted articles were accepted by the Chapter, while the surplus of completed articles not in the regular Red Cross category was assorted and distributed among the following dispensing charities:

To the Visiting Nurse, 15 conforters, 295 children's garments. To the Rescue Mission, 32 comforters, 40 pairs bootees. To the Willing Workers, 20 comforters, 20 infants' shirts. To the Children's Wards of Hope-Methodist, St Joseph, and Lutheran Hospitals, 12 comforters each. To the Allen County Orphan's Home, 14 comforters, 12 baby blankets, 15 children's garments. To the Irene Byron Tuberculosis hospital, 53 Comforters, 9 afghans. To the Gift Shop, 75 pairs of outing-cloth bootees.

" And of the fragments that remained, (more than) twelve baskets were taken up."

The report of work done in the schools, made to the chairman on July 1, 1918, gives these figures, Knitted Articles, 567. Hospital Garments, 64. Bandages, 775. Refugee Garments, 427.

Comforters, 195, Comfort pillows, 250, Layette items, 826; Total, 3104; Summer's work, 893; Total, 4075.

In addition to the sewing and the canning, the boys in the Manual Training classes made, for their part of the Junior work, three tabourettes, two tables, thirty-two "certificate frames", and one hundred and seventy-five packing cases for Chapter House, a total of two hundred and twelve pieces. From a total of sixty-three schools enrolled, eleven thousand five hundred and fifty paid memberships created a fund of $2887.50, while the revenue from the gift table added $24.50, a total of $2912.

Since the opening of the school year, (of 1918-19) the cessation of hostilities in Europe rather suddenly changed the outlook, but the Junior Red Cross has met the change, and a new direction of activity has been planned. For the immediate future it is to follow the Health Campaign to be conducted jointly by the American Red Cross and the National Tuberculosis Association, with the co-operation of the Council of Defense (National) and the United States Public Health Service; and is to be a practical education, the literature of which is provided, in personal health and community sanitation, conducted as part of the school work. Each Junior will keep a record of his personal "health chores" for two weeks, and will be given credits according to his record. The achievements of given credits will be rewarded with titles like "Squire", "Knight", "Knight Bannerer", and certain trophies, pennants, banners and badges of knighthood will be bestowed. After the lessons of personal health have been completed, the study of home and community sanitation will be taken up, covering the common carriers of disease, rats, mice, flies, fleas, mosquitos, cats and dogs; the disposal of garbage; the care of food in shops or homes; cleaning of streets and alleys; in general, all the aspects of sanitation in town and country. The lessons are suitably presented according to the age and capacity of the "Crusaders". Thus will the Junior Red Cross "carry on".

Another year is expected to see the organization extended to every township in the county. The quick response of city children to its call makes the slower action of the rural districts and smaller towns seem slower than it really was. There is always difficulty in remoteness. It is much easier to sway a a crowd than to persuade a scattered few. Too great commendation cannot be given to the efforts of the committee and its chairman, who have used the utmost tact and good judgement in presenting h the Junior Red Cross movement in those communities where a religious repugnance to war made them wary of any phase of war work; and the result is that the work is now popular and well-established. The townships already organized are Wayne, with eight schools St Joseph, with three; Cedar Creek, Lake, Maumee, and Washington, each with two; and Lafayette, Pleasant and Springfield, each with one auxiliary. The Committee at this date is now constituted under the official schedule, with fifteen members, including :

Chairman, Dr. Jessie C. Calvin
Secretary, Miss Linda McKinnie
Treasurer, Miss Angeline Chapin
General Supervisor of work, Mary D. Edson
Chairman of County Schools, David O. McComb

Supervisor of Boys' Work, J.J.Ritter
Director of Pageants and Entertainments, Carrie A. Snively
Supervisor of Primary School Work, Gail Calmerton
Supervisor of Agricultural Department, Maude A. Gaskins
Catholic Parochial Schools, Mrs.P.J.McDonald
Lutheran " Schools, Edward Franke
Public Schools, Margaret M. McPhail
Anti-T.B.League, Gertrude Barber ,R.C.N.
Supervisor of Art Work, Alice Hall
Director of Publicity, Mavon Sperry.

THE CIVILIAN RELIEF DEPARTMENT.
FORT WAYNE RED CROSS.
THE HOME SERVICE SECTION.

The necessity for Home Service activity presented itself in July 1917, after the departure of the first troops for training camps , and it led to the appointment of Charles R. Lane to the chairmanship of the newly created Civilian Relief Department of the Fort Wayne Chapter. Mr Lane was instructed by Chairman Mossman to submit a list of names for the remainder of the committee, and the following recommendations were returned: Rev. Joseph Delaney, Dr. M.F.Porter, sr., O.E.Mohler, Miss Minette Baum, Prof. William H. Kruse, Miss Margaret Vesey, P.A.Thompson, and A.O. Newell. This personnel inc uded representatives of every element of the Allen county body of patriotic citizens- all the great church organizations, veteran soldiers, and labor, and was accepted in entirety, with later additions upon the recommendation of Mr. Lane, by which the committee was augmented by Mrs L.G.Ellingham, and Charles M. Niezer. Upon the removal of Mr Newall from the city, he was replaced by Mr. Collis, of the Federation of Labor.

Calls for assistance increased with the appearance of cold weather, and the Committee was authorized to employ Red Cross funds in the administration of relief, each case being dealt with on the usual basis, the principle of which is advance, not gifts, the fixed policy of the Section being to avoid any treatment which would, put the beneficiaries in the light of receiving charity, but instead build up the morale of the faint-hearted in the direction of self-help, and strengthen the self-confidence of each family. Receipts were taken for all the money advanced, i with the understanding that it was a loan, to be repaid when their Government allowances should arrive.

The families of those who had enlisted before the Draft Act were more or less free from dependency, hence the calls previous to the first draft were relatively few. But among those affected by the draft, were many who had married subsequent to the declaration of war, and while many of these were able to leave their families in the care of parents, or otherwise well provided for, many more were unable to provide for the young wives. The committee found it necessary to send some of these young wives to hospitals because of approaching maternity, and this phase was taken care of, while it contributed every possible aid toward the maintenance of wholesome morale of soldiers' families.

The Allotment and Allowance Act of October 6th, 1918, was a great factor in keeping the people satisfied with war conditions while husbands and sons were in the service.

Demands for assistance became more and more frequent as winter advanced(1917-1918) and Miss Margaret Studebaker Vesey was placed in charge of the visitations, also performing a great deal of the office work, while Miss Baum and Mrs. Ellingham lent efficient help in the work of the Committee. Miss Vesey enlisted in her work a number of other assistants, including Miss Margaret Smith, Miss Margaret Langford, Mrs Calvin and others.

The winter proved the most severe known in the lifetime of any of the committee. It became necessary to establish the Home Service Section, with a Secretary whose time should belong to this work alone, and in the spring of 1918 a student was chosen to attend the Training Institute at Indianapolis for a six weeks' course, at the expense of the Department to a limit of $75., and to employ her upon her return, provided she was certified by the authorities of the Institute. The first choice went to Miss Vesey, but she declined, having other activities in view. Miss Smith was then chosen, but she also declined. The Institute being already in progress, the committee then selected Miss Helen Lane, who completed the course and was appointed Home Service Registrar upon her return to Fort Wayne, continuing in the work until the close of the office.

The Headquarters of the Allen County Council of Defense, in the Unilities Building were used following May, 1918, as the Home Service Headquarters for many months. In June, 1918, Miss Vesey, whose faithful work had been invaluable during the rigorous winter, resigned as Executive Secretary of the Section, to accept a position as Director of the Hostess House at Camp Taylor, and Mrs. Ellingham was appointed to fill this vacancy, with Miss Mildred Saylor as clerk. Chairman Charles R. Lane also resigned about the same time, owing to other war calls upon his time, and Charles M. Niezer was appointed Civilian Chairman by Mr. Mossman. Miss Saylor soon afterward engaged in other war service, and was replaced as clerk by Mrs. Bertrand S. Hawkins, Aug.5. 1918, Miss Helen Lane having been by this time advanced to Executive Secretary. In September, 1918, Mrs. Blanche Shelton, Miss Margaret Smith, Mrs. E.G.Trenkley, and Miss Mary Lee attended the third six weeks' course in Home Service at Indianapolis. The Fort Wayne Red Cross acknowledges its indebtedness to those who made it possible for the local representatives to attend this Institute.

In November, 1918, Mrs Shelton was appointed Director of Field Work.

To go back to June 17, 1917, at which time the Civilian Relief Department was established in Fort Wayne Chapter, a large class at that time received instructions in Civilian Relief by means of a series of lectures, delivered morning, afternoon and evening, beginning the morning of June 18, after an opening at the Masonic Temple, when the audience was addressed by Eugene C. Foster, secretary of Civilian Relief at Indianapolis; and by Judge John W. Eggeman, of Fort Wayne. The course was featured by music, arranged by Mrs. Josephine Albert Horton, and the list of speakers included Eugene C. Foster, Alexander Johnson, Paul Kirby, secretary of the Children's association, Indianapolis, R.J.Colbert, Director of the

Bureau of Educational Research, Lake Division Staff, Dr. Hugh B. McCauley, Dr. Miles F. Porter, sr., Dr. George S. Bliss, R.W. Himelick, and Mrs C.E. Edmundson of Indiana University. Thirty-seven persons registered for this course. Besides these, Mrs. N.D. Doughman attended the Home Service Institute at Lima, Ohio.

A Regional conference on Home Service work was held in Fort Wayne February 7-8, 1919, planned by Lake Division to cover all new phases of Home Service which have developed after the signing of the Armistice. Twelve counties were represented: Adams, Allen, DeKalb, Elkhart, Huntington, Kosciusko, LaGrange, Noble, Steuben, Wabash, Whitley and Wells. Fifty people registered as delegates, and their attendance was 100%. Great interest was manifested in the discussions, which were led by Miss Virginia Wing, of the Educational Bureau of Research; Miss R. Welding, Field Worker, (South Indiana) Mr. J.B. Riddle, also a field worker; and Mr. Homer Wickenden, of the Bureau of After Care.

The Chamber of Commerce was made the headquarters of the Conference, and the meetings, open to the public, and held every morning, afternoon and evening, were presided over by Charles M. Niezer, Chairman of Civilian Relief.

February 1, the Home Service Headquarters were transferred to the Chapter House on East Berry street, where the cessation of war work had made room for its accommodation.

The signing of the Armistice caused an increase in the calls for Home Service, which is the strictly military phase of the Civilian Relief Committee. the others being catastrophe, and nursing relief, while the service of the Home Section is the relief of all situations arising because of war conditions while the men of any family are in military service. The soldier who felt anxiety for the family at home; the family who were in distress because of delayed letters or allotments; the soldier who registered as a single man to evade the compulsory allotment to a dependent wife or child; the endless interrogations concerning the Insurance papers; and the discharges; the lost identities; and tangled names and addresses; the money difficulties, and the lack of legal and business knowledge almost universal among the dependents; the Liberty Bonds which couldn't be kept up; all these were matters upon which the Home Service Section work was built. It gave comfort to the soldier who was anxious for his children, wife or mother, and it gave check to the soldier who sought to evade his responsibilities in regard to either. Assistance has never been withheld, but the effort is always made to assist both and family to self-help and independence. The return of soldiers has brought its own phase of activity, and the Home Service Section has been pushed to the limit during many months, and will continue to be until all is back once more to normal. Miss Margaret Smith has been added to the Field force as a regular visitor. The complete force and first and last will be found in the Appendix. In addition to the assistance along regular Home Service lines, the Section acknowledges indebtedness to these others, for special service in emergency, and in furnishings, including the City of Fort Wayne, for light; A.H. Remmel, for advertising; Harvey E. Crane, for Tabulated Draftee cards; Mrs. C.C. Schlatter and the Motor Corps, under Mrs. Ben Levy, for Motor service.

THE WOMEN'S MOTOR CORPS.

Originally formed as a factor in the work of the Council of Defense, in which it served splendidly through several drives and loans, the complete organization of the Motor Corps of forty members and thirty-five cars, with Mrs. Ben Levy as Commandant, and Mrs. James L. Taylor, Lieutenant, was at length transferred, intact to the service of the Red Cross Chapter in October, 1918. After this date, it continued to serve in every exigency of need, at the Chapter House, the Gift Shop, Home Service and Canteen, during the Belgian Relief campaigns, and the Influenza epidemic, transporting firing squads and veterans at all military funerals, and carrying nurses and food to stricken families, often through mud, rain and snow, jeopardizing the health of the women who drove, but bringing relief to helpless people who would otherwise have suffered alone.

During the most violent period of the epidemic two to six cars were in constant operation all day for three weeks, and all the winter following (1918-1919) as many as were needed have been in attendance at the canteen, fetching and carrying for the benefit of the soldier lads in transit. To the generous use of time and cars which is itself enough to draw forth gratitude, the Corps has borne altogether a heavy expense of wear and tear, and motor power fuel, which is quite worthy of recognition, as it is perhaps the only branch of service which has involved personal expense as a necessary fact, while it has cost the Chapter, for all this service of time and mileage, only $16.40.

Twelve of the women wore the regulation uniform when on duty, and not a little humor entered the work thereby, as when the "soldierly" bearing of a uniformed Motor Corps woman elicited (from one half-scared observer to another) the whispered query,

"Is that a man or a woman?"

A uniform certainly does transform!

The Motor Corps were still on duty as long as there was a thing to do. They mad possible thousands of kind acts which could never have reached their goal without their aid, and they were a very large part of the Canteen Corps.

THE INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC AND THE NURSING SURVEY.

So-called "Spanish" Influenza having appeared in the form of a widespread and peculiarly fatal epidemic in the fall of 1918, "the whole American Red Cross membership was requested to enter the fight against the Influenza epidemic" by the Central Committee at Washington. At the request of Surgeon-General Gorgas and the Secretary of War, the"Nursing Survey"was conducted by the American Red Cross through its Chapters. The purpose of the Survey was "to locate every American woman capable of nursing or assisting in a sick room,--practically an enrollment of the entire nursing resources of the country."

Mrs. B.Paul Mossman was appointed Chairman of the local Survey,under the Department of Nursing,A.R.C.;The enrollment was conducted from the Court House,notices being sent to all regular nurses who could be reached by mail or telephone,and through the newspapers to others. No committee was formally assembled,but help was ready from the Chapter Forces when needed. Nurses, trained and practical,responded readily,coming from all over the county to register,and filling out the blanks provided,which were then sent to Washington, and filed for reference at the National Headquarters.

The local influenza situation becoming acute at about the same time, and the making of "flu" masks the hurry of the hour, Mrs. Bond,Mrs. Schoo,Miss Sperry,Mrs. Detzer,The Chapter Secretary Mrs. Massey,Miss Georgianna Bond,Mrs. Shields- in fact anybody and everybody, including those on duty at the Chapter House at the time, --flung themselves into the work of this emergency and were assisted by a specially appointed committee Influenza Committee composed of Mrs. L.G.Ellingham,Mrs.Charles E. Bond and Mrs. Paul Mossman; while Mrs.Ralph Magee,head of the Visiting Nurse League, placed the visiting nurse, Miss Dixon, at the disposal of the Chapter committee . The Workshop was, for the time, turned into a gauze mask factory, and sewing circles large and small returned quantities of the little masks,the work of after hours in many cases, while several of the units of factory and office girls acted as "health deputies" at the command of the Chapter. Upon the passage of the Mask ordinance the Headquarters was besieged by a mass of office workers struggling to secure masks in time to be permitted to go to their work on the morrow, and the Emergency workers at the desks had almost to barricade themselves with desks and call the aid of the police to preserve order. Sometimes an applicant was asked to take the gauze and make her own, and again, a man would offer to make his own, --and many of them did. Graduates of the Home Care Classes rallied to the assistance of the sick, and there were sme who were kept busy for the next three or four months, as the epidemic spread all over the county. Miss Anna Lauman of the local R.C.N. Nursing Service marshaled every nurse, married or single,"ineligible to army service" and those who were awaiting call, and the county was as well provided as any in the country. The scarcity of doctors was unavoidable,but the willingness of capable women went far to make up for the scarcity of trained nurses,during the scourge of the mysterious malady which for want of a mlre accurate name is called Influenza,but well deserves its occasional appellation,"The Plague".

Wave after wave of the disease followed the first,but none

none has produced suce panic, though the Information department was in constant receipt of calls for doctors and nurses, and at times Mrs. Doughman had mlre calls than could well be supplied.

Miss Meta C. Borneman has recently(Match 1919) been retained by the Chapter as Emergency Nurse.

From Mrs. Massey's report to the Department of Civilian Relief of Indiana, on the Influenza situation and work, the following figures are taken:

No. of nurses on duty during epidemic.....50
No. of nurses assigned bu Fort Wayne Chapter,.5
No. of patients treated.....613
Amt. paid by Chapter for Nurse's salaries and expense, exclusive of amy paid by or charged to "this office".....$775.26
Amt of general epidemic expense exclusive of nursing, $887.39
Total to date(March) 1919.....$3662.65

The situation at thismtime was pronounced "fair, and with pertinence it might be added, fluctuating.

BOY SCOUTS TO THE RESCUE!
"One good deed each day".

What the Boy Scouts did to help the Red Cross Chapter would make a very long story if told in detail, so for this memorial a summary must suffice, though no more loyal hearts beat in Allen County than those hidden under the cotton khaki uniforms of Capt. Wetzel's troops.

From the opening of the Chapter House in April, 1917, a fervid patriotism seized the lads, who were "instant in season and out of season with offers of help. In the first days, when the Headquarters Was just struggling into order, and there was no regular janitor service, many an offer to "sweep out" came from the lads, sometimes from scouties so small and uniforms so new that the suits and wearers must have been new born to Scoutdom, and fresh from the christening. There are amusing recollections at the Chapter House of their well-meant attempts at sweeping, and grateful ones of the willing feet that ran so many errands and the willing hands that fetched and carried, smoothed tinfoil and rolled it into atractive balls to advertise the Conservation campaign, and did the thousand and one things that only boys can do. There were such gallant little fellows, and they found more than several ways in which even a very small scout can be a gentleman, even if it be only to stay through the supper hour with a "girl at the desk who "looks lonely".

In the performance of errands the scouts were a boon. With untiring zeal they carried bundles, "showed the way" to strangers, served in Home Care classes, and unofficially served as much as under orders. They fetched big gifts from the donors to the Gift Shop, and they delivered big bundles to purchasers from the Gift Shop, just "as Scouts and gentlemen".

In the annual report of the Scout Director, a quite amazing total of official service appeared. During the past year, beginning in April, 1918, they assisted the Red Cross Belgian relief collection, both in tramsporting bundles and in handling them at the Chapter House, In different canpaigns they tacked up posters and cards about town, and in two distributions pladed 24,250 pieces of Red Cross printing or pictures. Fifteen thousand cards requiring an interview were returned, properly filled out, to the Influenza Commission. They collected and forwarded through the Red Cross to the Department of Chemical Warfare, 11,000 pounds of peach, prune and olive pits, as well as a large quntity of nutshells of the kind used in the manufacture of carbon for gas masks. During the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call of 1918, they sold about six hundred dollars worth of membership subscriptions, despite the fact that the influenza ban was on and that only boys over fifteen years of age were permitted to engage in the canvass.

An effort has been made through the newsparpers to secure the names of Boys Scouts who have helped at the Chapter House, but to date there has been no reposnse, proving that " a Boy Scout is modest". However, the names of Frank Pennoyer, Harold Cloere and Park Williams have been remembered.

THE EXECUTIVE.

"The power behind the throne" has never been better exemplified than in the power behind the Workshop of the Fort Wayne Chapter of the Red Cross. Early and late the "high officials" of the Chapter have engaged in yeoman labor for the cause.

Despite thebbeguiling picture drawn by the nominating committee in January, 1917, Chairman B.Paul Mossman presently found himself , for hours of every day-- and sometimes for days at a time-- the property of a score or more of divergent Red Cross interests, all requesting immediate and impeccable attention and addvice on every technicality of the organization, and its application to a given case in point. In all this it was necessary to take the advice of all the individuals of the Committee and Board, and to the Secretary, Dr. Jessie C. Calvin, whose work was invaluable in the trials and difficulties of the great rush of organization. and Mr. Mossman pays tribute for her fund of knowledge concerning Red Cross rulings, which was always at the disposal of the Chapter.

The Vice Chairman, Mrs Detzer, whose duties are so moderately stated in the By-Laws, found herself , almost immediately , the occupant of every unfilled crevice which appeared from day to day in the rapidly expanding Chapter, her house, like that of the Secretary and "membership" Chairman, the scene of innumerable committee meetings," and "home" for all of them, scarcely more than a dry dock to put into for repairs, as some one has humorously said. It was well the Treasurer, Mr. Frank Cutshall, was a banker, for time quickly cured the leanness of the Chapter purse, and it required all the financial ability possible to rally , to adjust and account for the really huge sums received, and the widely varying sums expended, in which work the accounting of the membership funds , and the accurate work of the Executive Secretary, Miss Lavon Sperry, have contributed heavily toward the success of the financial department of the Red Cross work in Allen County.

Mrs.Walter Massey, Secretary following Dr. Calvin up to date(March 1919) has proved herself a faithful and accurate official, and has been active in all lines of Chapter work.

The effective organization of the Executive force was evidence from beginning to end of the War Work, each department of which was impartially administered and maintained without confusion of limits and purposes, equal.attention being paid to every phase of activity known to the American Red Cross.

THE BUREAU PERSONNEL.

In June, 1918, Chairman B. Paul Mossman received a request from Lake Divisional Headquarters to appoint a chairman for Northern Indiana, to receive applications for overseas war work under the Bureau Personnel. Mrs. Laura G. Detzer received the appointment, and later went to Cleveland for conference and to obtain explicit instruction in the duties of the office, these preliminaries occupying the days until July 1.

Only applicants for overseas service were permitted to be registered, but the eagerness for overseas service was such that the office was besieged with a rush of applications, the enrollment of which involved an immense amount of detail work, letter-writing, and cataloguing; investigation and verification of each case being a necessary formality, as was also an examination as to physical qualifications. Dr. Eric Grall was appointed to this latter duty, receiving his commission directly from Divisional Headquarters, and rendering signal service without delay, at whatever inconvenience to himself of time, or careful discrimination.

Mrs. Detzer appointed Mrs. Fred Hoffman as her assistant chairman, Mrs. Arthur H. Remmel as secretary, with Miss Irene Malloy, assistant. Mrs. James B. Crankshaw was appointed to special duty as loyalty investigator.

The Bureau began to outgrow the committee, and in October, 1918, Mr. Fred Shoaff was appointed from Divisional Headquarters to take charge of the Male applicants, and divide the labor. The signing of the Armistice in November brought the activities of the Bureau to a sudden close.

PUBLICITY AND THE PRESS.

Beginning with the first meeting held in Rev. A.J.Folsom's study, which was fully and freely advertised in all the city papers, every step in the progress of the Red Cross Chapter has been given ample publicity , each paper establishing a Red Cross column with the first regular stream of information that came from the scene of labors, even putting on a special detail to report everything which could possibly benefit the Chapter by publicity--which covered nearly everything. The total newspaper space which has been devoted to Red Cross news in the Fort Wayne Daily papers, encludes acres of advertising, and the preservation of lists that would otherwise have been lost, also the fixing of half a hundred disputed dates , the value of which cannot be computed in arithmetical terms. Reproduced, it would fill a tome too large to lift, if bound together, and constitutes a mine of information from which not only this little history benefits, but whihh larger work in years to come will find exhaustless. Hence the Chapter incorporates in its history the neams of each daily, with its staff:

a- The Fort Wayne Sentinel and the Daily News, now combined into one publication, known as the Fort Wayne News and Sentinell, C.F.Bicknell, proprietor; Jesse A Green, editor; Bryan P Martin, Carl C. Schroeder, Herbert Miller, Jay Blake and Mrs. Ruth Bonder, Red Cross reporters.

b- The Journal Gazette, L.G.Ellingham, proprietor; Avery M. Groves, Managing editor; Edward R. Lewis, Sunday editor; Claude G. Bowers, editorial writer; Harry Bradbury, and Ignota White, Red Cross reporters.

THE NAVY LEAGUE BRANCH.

In response to a call issued several days before by the Navy League, a branch of the Navy League was formed in Fort Wayne April 26, 1917, and went immediately to work at knitting for the boys of the Navy. The work was in no way considered as against the interest of the Red Cross work, locally, and the Navy League made an impartial appeal through the papers of thecountry for the support of all patriotic women. The local branch was organized, with an executive committee composed of Mrs. Kate N. Beamer, Mrs. Max Fisher, Mrs. J.J.Kline, Mrs. Harry Perfect and Mrs. Bred Hoffman, and Mrs. George P. Evans, secretary. The difficulty in the National organization halted a splendid work which was well started in Fort Wayne, and after some lost time, a union with the Red Cross Knitting Knitting Department was effected, and the stock and finances were straightened pleasantly through the agency of the vice-Chairman of the Chapter.

Fort Wayne has had an exceptional advantage in knitting, on account of the extraordinary number of expert knitters acquainted with the Army and Navy League in this line before the organization of war work here.

THE FOUR GREAT DRIVES.

I The First Red Cross War Fund Drive,
II The Christmas Membership Drive,
III The Second Red Cross War Fund Drive,
IV The Christmas Roll-Call of 1918.

"You can't give to the Government. * * * * There is a law " "against it. Your great channel for giving is the American Red " "Cross."(Woodrow Wilson)

It was with something of trepidation that the Fort Wayne Chapter of the A.R.C. entered upon the duty of raising a county quota of eighty thousand dollars for the Red Cross War Fund, in the early summer of 1917. It seemed a stupendous amount, following the First Liberty Loan. And it is to be remembered that this was the first real giving for any war fund.

Sensible of the need for proper approach to the public, the campaign was carefully organized, with Paul Mossman General Chairman, Edward C. Miller Executive Chairman, and Treasurer, Frank H. Cutshall; The City Director was Harry G. Hogan, and the County Director, William C. Schwier. The date was set for the week of June 18, 1917, and as a master stroke of encouraging policy, fourteen men, whose names are given elsewhere, pledged over their own signatures sums varying from $500. to $1,000. to the amount of $11,000.00, which they promised to pay if the sum of ten thousand dollars be first subscribed by others; and in case of the subscription reaching seventy thousand dollars or more, inclusive of their own subscriptions, to increase the same, pro rata, sufficiently to complete the quota fixed for Allen county.

This subscriptional agreement was the entering wedge to the county pocket-book. The headquarters for the County Drive was established at the Hamilton National Bank (now consolidated with the First National), and the Drive, which opened Monday, was the underlying theme in practically every sermon preached on the preceding day.

Monday was devoted to final instructions and equipment for the workers, a Booster" dinner being given in the evening at the Hotel Anthony, at which Prof. G.B.Nelson of Chicago University was the principal speaker, and Judge John W. Eggeman was the toastmaster. The slogan adopted for the drive was "If you can't go across, come across". Teams met at luncheon at the Elks' Temple, for daily conference and report of progress, and Tuesday morning the workers started out with a determined rush which resulted in the announcement in next day's papers, of "Thirty thousand the First Day".

Flying Squadrons were organized for Rural districts and outlying towns, and a squad from Monroeville augmented the City forces. Michael Sherdin, a farmer of Adams township had the honor to be the first contributor outside of Fort Wayne, in Allen county. Mr. Schwier's Rural teams were recruited from the Patriotic Defense organization, the Retail Merchants' Association, the Real

Estate Exchange, th "100%" Club, the Electro-Technic Club, and volunteers from every source. Anybody owning a machine not in the Drive, must have hidden it carefully.

The first day, Tuesday, showed the American Road Machine Co., Van Arnam's and the Patterson-Fletcher Co., 100%, and also Fort Wayne's three Chinese residents, each of whom gave according to his ability ¶ subscribed a total of $112,000. --or $32,000. "over the top".

This was "a man's drive", and to the fact that Fort Wayne's best financial and executive talent set the first drive going, is due a great measure of the success that has attended subsequent drives, in which, as in the Loans, the women have taken an increasing part.

THE CHRISTMAS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE was conducted under the leadership of Mr. Harry Muller, and adopted the slogan "A Red Cross flag in every home". Individual enthusiasm was at the bottom of the success of this Drive. The business district and the factories in the campaign were given to teams of men, and the house to house work in the residence sections to Red Cross women who volunteered for the service, and reported at the Court House and Chapter House headquarters. It was splendid work, and in results a "perfect deluge"! The General Electric Works was well organized, forming thirteen teams within itself (one for each stripe in the flag), who were responsible for the "100%" of its 4,000 employees. Other industrial and mercantile concerns were similarly organized, and few indeed were the windows of Fort Wayne that did not, before Christmas, 1917, flaunt a Red Cross flag with a border of blue, and most of them bore a white star in the centre, with little red crosses sprinkled on the white field. Full 99% of all the down town business houses were 100% the first day. Firms published "booster ads", and enthusiasm ran wild. $37,747. was returned to the Red Cross treasurer by December 22, 1917.

THE SECOND WAR FUND DRIVE began on the eighteenth of May, 1918, under the same direction as the first, and with very nearly the same workers, in the townships, but the city handled by almost the identical teams, and in the same system as had been employed in the Third Liberty Loan Drive which had preceded it in April. The business districts and factries were given to the Red Cross men, and the residence sections to about eighty teams of women under the direction of Mrs. B.H.Hudson, each with a captain, and under them ten sub-chairmen, to whom the workers reported. The Drive opened with a great mass meeting in the Palace Theatre, from which the overflow was accommodated at the old Masonic Temple. The chief speaker of the evening was Dr. Wishart, a chaplain returned to the United States after two years in the war zone, Private G.C.Maunders, a young hero of the Canadian Army also being heard. The enthusiasm was tremendous, with patriotic singing.

¶ (Insert here: "At the end of the week 15,800 individuals had", etc.)

At the height of the evening, Judge Eggeman auctioned off a single rosebud, which brought one hundred dollars, W.K.Noble the successful bidder. A very large per cent of the quota of $120,000. was subscribed at the Palace that night. "Bonfire Events" were held all over the county to open the Drive, and "clubs" formed all the way from $10,000. down to $1. Kathleen Burke, the "angel of the battlefield" was heard at the Majestic Theatre on Wednesday night, as a feature of the Drive.

Mr. Schwier's township teams kept up their splendid record in all the drives. The women, just in from the Third Liberty Loan, responded again to Mrs. Hudson's summons, almost without exception, and the week's work returned $165,000. to the Red Cross War Fund.

The last of the drives conducted in Allen County to the date of March 1, 1919, was the

RED CROSS ROLL-CALL OF 1918.

The Roll-Call was attacked in a manner quite different from that of former drives--at least, under different management -- the women coming more entirely to the front than on previous occasions, and proving how well they had learned the business of engineering "drives".

Mr. Frank Bohn was appointed County Manager, Mr. W.H.Rohan, assistant, and Mr. Otto Marahrens, Secretary, with Mr. David O. McComb as Township Director, Mrs.B.H.Hudson City Director, and Mrs. Lee J. Ninde, assistant. Mrs. J.R.Meriwether was chairman of the factory canvass, with Miss Clara Poole as secretary occupying a desk at the Court House to receive and tabulate the returns. Mrs. Frank M. Hogan and Mrs. Charles L. Biederwolf were in charge of the supplies for the campaign--buttons, posters, flags, etc,

The township work was started with meetings at every possible point all over the county, and the results were excellent, though the cessation of warfare emergency calls, a general weariness, and the influenza epidemic had combined to reduce enthusiasm appreciably, and there was a corresponding falling off in subscriptions. (Many, it must be allowed, were financially unable to maintain the wartime pace.). The women deserve the real glory of this Roll-Call, for their work in the city totalled 85% of the county subscription of $26, 399. 25. The county teams, who worked just as wonderfully as they ever had, and the Boy Scouts, made up the rest.

The Christmas Seals were not sold in 1918, but were given to Red Cross subscribers and settlement made with the Anti-T.B. League accordingly* The General and County Chairmen in all drives have worked in splendid co-operation with the women's teams, and have shown an increasing appreciation of the value of women to the work.

A humorous memory of the second War Fund Drive, the local watchword of which was "Over the top in three days", was this challenge, wired by Chairman Harry Muller to South Bend. The latter city wired back "We'll beat you to it!" However, they were in error.

* (by the same agreement as prevailed elsewhere.)

THE RED CROSS AUCTION.

Like a grain of mustard seed dropped in a fertile field was the thought expressed in the early summer of 1918, in regard to theconduct of an auction as a means of augmenting the funds for the prosecution of the tremendous war work then looming ahead of the Red Cross in Allen county. Mr. Henry Stapleford, veteran auctioneer, widely known for his wisdom as well as his wit, at that time ventured the confident opinion that not less than $2500. could be netted from an auction sale, and made free tender of his services as auctioneer if the donations could be collected. The idea gave promise of a bright spot in the gloom with which the summer was naturally clouded, and Mr. Stapleford's offer was "snapped up" and published, no one dreaming, at that moment, that the sum mentioned was to prove a bare six per cent of the astounding final result.

Thus watered by the dew of publicity, the mustard seed germinated immediately. A Committee was scarcely formed when the mails began to bring in offers from members of the auctioneering profession all over the county, to assist in the Red Cross Auction at Fort Wayne. Offers also came from far beyond our borders, not a few from Ohio. Thorough organization became advisable and was effected promptly. Mr. L. H. Moore was chosen Chairman general and a brilliant list of aides selected with discreet judgement. Every department was put intl the hands of a committee with a captain of supreme ability in his field.

After the manner of mustard seeds, the plant grew until it filled the whole county. The soliciting teams, composed of the Deferred Classification draftees, ransacked every corner, nook and cranny of their field, Publicityhhaving unlocked all doors for them.* A"veritable Congress of Auctioneers" had enlisted long before the date for opening, and from the first it had been evident that a huge hilarity would characterize the great event. With thirty-four professionals matching jovial wits, the whole of Allen county waited with an expectant grin on its countenance. It was an occasion for the use of talents that no other phase of war work had brought into play, and for the awakening of interest that had lain dormant through all other appeals. Moreover it was a chance for every man in the county to take a personal hand in some other activity of the war than that of buying or selling bonds--to shout "heave-ho!" and to sweat for Red Cross, to endure grime and blisters, and to draw therefrom the same satisfaction they knew the women were extracting from their sewing and knitting and hoeing and canning--and of course they knew the women would help in this, too, wherever they were needed.

Every school and church in Fort Wayne was a depot for the collection of offerings from its district, these being in charge of women's committees. The entire county was ticketed off in the same manner, with a team of men in charge of each collecting depot, located in school or whatever was the most convenient and central in a given district. Close to one hundred trucks were engaged in the work of transporting, besides which countless private motor vehicles were driven by their owners, in many cases young

* (Publicity in this chapter means the late beloved Bert J. Griswold)

women, these cars being nesessary for the transportation of articles both fragile and valuable.

Every commercial barter house in the city was solicited, and contributed of its stock. In all the larger ones a special department was established for the acceptance and registration of articles as well as of cash gifts offered. The manufacturing plants gave executive attention to the same matters at the their offices. The banks furnished cashiers, accountants and custodians for the receipts of every booth. L.S.Lebensberger, of the local National Cash Register Agency loaned cash registers for the booths, greatly facilitating the safe handling of the moneys.

Several lumber forms donated the entire lumber needed for the booths and platforms, several contractors paid for the labor of construction. Architects Mahurin and Weatherhogg planned and directed the building of the booths, for which the County Council permitted the use of the thirty foot sidewalks surrounding the Court House, while the City granted the exclusive use; for the Auction week, of Court street, of East Berry street from Calhoun to Clinton, and of half the street on the Calhoun and Main street fronting the Court House, no vehicles being allowed except those needed or authorized by the Auction Committee.

Platforms for speakers and chorus, dancing and vaudeville acts, occupied the south side of the pavement on East Berry street opposite the Court House, and from Court to Clinton street that street was roped off for dancing every evening, the dancers paying tribute in silver to the Red Cross, while the band discoursed the latest fox trots and jazz numbers.

The decorative scheme, based on the National colors, included multitudes of American flags, begged, borrowed and bought, and displayed by night as well as by day, by means of searchlights, Festoons of brilliant electric bulbs flooded the crowds with festal radiance at night, and stereopticons threw news items and announcements on screens fronting the Court House.

The donations to the "stock" covered too wide a field for particular description, and may only be generalized, with some exceptions. Practically every line of merchandise was exhibited--drygoods, hardware, groceries, meats; all manner of canned goods both home and factory made; farm produce, and furniture; music and musical instruments; cigars, tobacco, soft drinks and every variety of refreshment; notions, needlework, millinery and garments (in every stage of wear and tear, from just out of the packing case to "real antiques"); silverware, china and cut glass, also, crockery and common glassware; comforts and bedspreads--some of them beautiful and a few of them valuable; furnaces and frying pans; tinware and tacks; pianos and papers of pins; foods for the table and feeds for the stable; oats and eggs; potatoes and pickles; lamps and livestock.

The livestock department went beyond the wildest dreams of the committee. The whole gamut of domestic quadrupeds was represented, with the exception of white mice. There were thirty-five head of horses including a Clydesdale stallion, the Shetland and Indian ponies and one fine mule; sixty members of the pork family (not including the Guinea pigs, in spite of Ellis Parker Butler); twenty-five sheep and lambs, including several fine breeding animals; twenty head of cattle, including a Holstein bull, and nineteen calves and young heifers under one year old; Over one hundred rabbits, from Belgian hares to little white bunnies; and many fine dogs.

The porkers were all of special value to farmers rather than packers, being pure bred animals of every age from the Poland(registered) China boar to the brood of fancy shoats. Poultry was donated in profusion,--not common barnyard fowls, either, but birds of high degree, and perching on family trees. Turkeys, geese, ducks, chickens, guinea fowls, pigeons and canary birds were all there to be sold for Red Cross.

The poultry and smaller livestock were quartered on the north side of the Court House, west of the huge pile of worn-out auto tires(which towered to the second story windows and threatened to reach the moon), and were auctioned from that point; while the livestock sales took place at the Fort Wayne Horse and Mule Market, "commandeered" for their housing, and where they were kept in the pink of condition by Dr. H.C. Myers, veterinary, until the day of sale arrived. Buyers from far away, eager to secure blooded stock, attended the sales, which netted some thousands of dollars.

A great fund of entertainment was afforded by the oddities of many donations, which were made by various trades and professions. Misses Marguerite Fry and Florence Gruber first offered a ten weeks course of dancing lessons, and other dancing academies followed suit. A well-known barber donated "twelve shaves", and a land-slide of shaves and hair-cuts was precipitated from his competitors in business. "Twenty-four Chiropractic Adjustments" brought donations of professional service from other Chiropractors and also from Osteopaths. Also, "$5. worth of dental work" brought imitators.

Commander James D. Willson of the U.S. Navy sent a baton, formerly the property of John Philip Sousa. It sold for $200., to Byron Somers, who returned it to the donor. "Eight hundred tickets to a popular movie theatre" to be sold in five-dollar books, brought "thirteen hundred and fifty tickets to a popular vaudeville house", --and so on. "A lot in Fairview Addition, New Haven, Indiana," soon caused a line-up of several Fort Wayne "addition" lots. One insurance agent gave a one year policy for $1,000, fire and tornado risk, on a dwelling house. A business college donated a year's scholarship. One floral company donated all the flowers for the booth on one day, and another gave a thousand roses on another day, lesser concerns contributing in proportion. Three little maids sold "fall roses" from their own gardens and turned in the receipts. The Traction company donated the entire stock of unclaimed articles at the central office(chiefly umbrellas) to one of the booths. Restaurants and refreshment stands did a rushing business. The rain drove the Red Cross Restaurant inside the million dollar Court House(which wasn't hurt in the least by it) where the only difficulty it encountered was insufficient "home-cooked" viands to satisfy the public appetite. Every day saw every crumb devoured before closing.

Many tons of coal and many cords of good firewood were offered by farmers and coal dealers. From a farm came a carpet loom, and from a florist came a century plant then eighteen years old. The banks gave away, each evening, by a ticket system, two ten dollar bank accounts, with books. Every extreme imaginable could be noted in the stock.

The general program for each day was ordered as follows, with variations according to cirtumstances.:
Beginning Wednesday, September 11, 1918.

10:30 to 11:00 A.M., Band Concert; Special Events;
11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M., Auction Sales in all Departments;
1:00 to 2:00 P.M., Band Concert, Vaudeville, Classic Dances; (Berry street platform)
2:00 to 5:00 P.M., Auction Sales in all departments;
5:00 to 7:00 P.M., Band Concert, Vaudeville, Exhibiti on Dances;
7:00 to 7:30 P.M., Community Singing led by Mrs. Monica Mast Boggs and Chorus of 1000 voices;
7:30 to 10:00 P.M., Auction Sales in all departments;
10:00 P.M., Nightly search for holders of bank bookhumbers;
All the evening, Dancing on the pavement.

The entertainment afforded the public on the platform was of the highest grade, and all was freely donated by the participants. Mrs. Boggs' chorus was recruited from the schools and industrial plants, and drilled in the rendition of patriotic songs contained in the song pamphlet donated by the Fort Wayne Printing Company. They not only sang the songs with the public every evening, but sold the books at twenty-five cents each, thus netting altogether nearly five hundred dollars for the Red Cross. Vaudeville artists from the Palace Theatre donated "stunts" to adorn the programs; actors from the "Wayne Players" (Majestic Theatre Stock Company) presented acts in solo and duo; "Miles. Letitia La Nae and Layda Ludopova", (Misses Fry and Gruber) ; Miss Grace Romary and her pupils; little Misses Georgia Tonkel and Helen Long; The Watson Twins, Marguerite and Ogarite (who gave up a week's engagement in Chicago to donate their services to the Red Cross Auction); Miss Violet Reinewald; and Paul Bachelor; all gave exhibitions of their art on the platform to entertain the crowds. "The Farmerettes" in songs; Miss Marth Pierce in whistling solos, and many other unadvertised and more or less impromptu features enriched the platform offerings. Under the management of the Entertainment Committee there was auctioned from the platform each evening (when the article was obtainable) the most fleeting and ephemeral of all donations to the auction "stock", yet boldly bid for, and bravely claimed when won--a kiss, chaste, airy and impersonal.

A daily feature was the appearance on the streets, of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Franklyn, from Warren , Ohio, who impersonated Mr. and Mrs. Hezekiah Corntassel from Sunnybrook Farm, riding in the most woe-begone rig ever seen, and exhibiting their trained pet pig, in original acts. The nightly search for holders of bank book numbers never failed of interest. The Daily News added to the merry din one day by sending out a "kaiser extra", in which was published a wild canard; the proceeds went to the Auction. "The Kaiser,,s Coffin" was carried through the crowd one evening, and many paid for the privilege of driving a nail in it. One of the chairmen, his duties over, on Saturday impersonated a blind man, with two attendants, Mr. Lebensberger and Mr. J.I.Toy, who explained to the pitying spectators that he had been "kicked in the eye by a bee, fifty years ago", and the tin cup collected about sixty dollars for the Red Cross.

The Auctioneers were all gifted humorists and salesmen,

and lavish in time. Two of them often operated at the same booth, and the selling was fast and furious. A "fishpond" found a way to dispose sight unseen of many things impossible to sell otherwise, turning dead stock into money and creating a mint of merriment for the crowd. The original "ghost in three old hats" was outdone a score of times Saturday night, when yougsters threaded their way trought the crowds balancing from six to eight specimens of passe millinery on their heads, trophies of the hook and line. Assigned to the fish pond on that last mad day of the Auction, one matron found her own 'perfectly good' hat missing when the sale was over, it having fallen from its peg and seized and fastened on some youngster's hook by a zealous (male) salesman.

The fortune telling booth, stocked with Ouija board seeresses, of local celebrity, who read golden futures in everybody's horoscope, from behind black dominoes, made much entertainment and money. The chairman in charge of the "Unclaimed" booth, sold her own umbrella in the excitement of trade. "Something new" kept attention constantly on the qui vive, and maintained the genial uproar through four solid days. Auctioneers were tireless, but even their brazen throats gave out toward the end, and numerous talented amateurs developed to share the closing labors on Saturday evening.

All sales at the Auction were bona fide, with two exceptions, which were thoroughly advertised as not sales, but "sells". There were, however, countless instances of purchases being immediately turned back to be resold, the same article often being sold many times. One ancient bed, or cot, was sold steadily for three hours on Saturday evening, by three promising amateurs: Charles Preble, Ben Alleger and Frank Chalfant. The bed was of the date when, according to statements made, the owner chopped down trees with one hand and held his scalp on with the other. $125. had harvested from this bed by the auctioneers at the expense of liberal-hearted bidders, and still the bed remained unclaimed. Then came wandering by, B.J.Griswold, Captain of Publicity, in search of "one more story". He got it. The weary auctioneers leaped once more to their guns, and were rewarded by a bid of twenty-five cents.

"It's yours!" exclaimed all three in one hoarse voice.

"Oh, keep it!" responded Mr. Griswold graciously, with a proffer of cash--which was accepted, but not the bed.

"No, sir! We've been selling that darn mortal thing for three hours, now, and we're tired. You have to keep it!--and remember, this pavement has to be cleared before six A.M. tomorrow, too!" And with that they vanished into the crowd as one man, leaving the Captain of Publicity alone with his bed and tired enough, himself, to have lain down on it and slept until "six A.M."

That was the closing sale of the evening, --and the Auction.

The two exceptions were the doughty little goat from New Haven, which was auctioned early and late, in season and out of reason; and the famous Black Minorca rooster forward-

ed ,from many scenes of conquest past, by Blim Peck, first auction purchaser of the bird at Hamilton,Indiana Red Cross Auction; who took him to Montpelier,where he was sold and re-sold until he had brought $1400.,after which he was sold at other Red Cross Auctons ,swelling the receipts of each. From Fort Wayne, the fowl was directed to be sent to Garman Hallett,at Waterloo, Indiana.

The roster of Auction workers in the Appendix does scant justice to the actual numbers who gave their time, strength and enthusiasm toward completing the magnificent success of the mammoth undertaking. Only the names of captains and leaders are possible to reproduce,but it is estimated that no fewer than one thousand were numbered in the personnel of the working forces,first and last. Among the anonymous indispensables in every department were boy scouts,who in all the whirlwind week never lost a chance to serve. The rank and file are none the less honored and appreciated for what they did.

Over forty-one thousand dollars were netted for Red Cross work by the Auction. The final evening,Saturday September 14, was to all appearance, one big family out for a lark with the children. The crowd danced until midnight, and then,loth to leave,though tired, went home still in a rollicking mood,ready to wake and talk it over on the succeeding morrows and to enjoy the aftermath of anecdotes which came in the wake of what was,financially and socially, the most stupendous success of the Red Cross War Work.

And merely regarded in the light of a"Get Together", movement,nothing so perfect as the Red Cross Auction was ever conceived or carried out in Fort Wayne.

THE NORTHERN INDIANA WAREHOUSE.

(July 10, 1917, to March , 1918.)

By appointment of W.S.Root, Division of Transportation And Supplies, Lake Division , E.C.Miller, of the Fort Wayne Chapter became State Director of Red Cross Warehouses in Indiana, in which three points were decided upon as locations, Evansville, Indianapolis and Fort Wayne. That at Fort Wayne was designated The NORTHERN INDIANA WAREHOUSE , to have under its supervision, inspection and shipment, the product of thirty-seven Chapters of the Northern half of the state, Mr. Miller supervising the shipment of all supplies, and assuming oversight of the distribution of state quotas among the Indiana Chapters of the Red Cross, when that system was adopted.

Mrs. A.E.Fauve received the appointment of local Warehouse Director, by authority of A.F.Bentley, the annoubcement being made July 10, 1917, and the warehouse work beginning at once. July 20, 1917, the first of the Indiana warehouses to begin operations opened ready for work at 626 Calhoun street where a double store room had been secured.

The conduct of the warehouse for the following eight months will remain a record of which Fort Wayne may well be proud, for it was entirely the work of Fort Wayne hands , heads and hearts. Through this warehouse, within that time, passed ONE MILLION pieces of Surgical, Hospital Supplies and knitted garments, which were unpacked, inspected, repaired when necessary, repacked and shipped.

The first move made by the chairman after her appointment was the "Get Together" meeting at the Commercial Club, on Friday afternoon, July 13, 1917, when representatives from all over Northern Indiana listened to Mrs. Belmont Tiffany, a famous Red Cross worker of New York City.

The chairman marshaled a splendid committee of aides under whom she placed the various departments of the warehouse work: Surgical Dressings, Garments, Sewing, (repair and corrections) Knitting, Unpacking and Packing; The Checking was done by Mrs. Fauve and Mrs. Florence Madden, warehouse secretary. The Sewing Department was established at the outset as a means of avoiding the expense of sending back to the Chapters garments improperly constructed through failure to understand directions. Delay, also was avoided by this department. Just how many buttons were sewed on the wrong side, or hos many garments had no buttonholes at all, or how many thousand little Red Crosses were in the wrong place, or pockets sewed

(splendidly sewed!) on the backs of hospital bed shirts, were never counted, but it is very well remembered that one shipment of nearly three thousand "triangular bandages" neatly made but with the tapes "all wrong", taxed the repair room teams, andexhausted the entire stock of tape in Fort Wayne stores, during the final week of the Warehouse, in February, 1918.

The necessity for all persons connected with the surgical Dressings in the Warehouse being "certified" as teachers, made it necessary to call a special teacher to hold a class in intensive instruction in Surgical Dressings;Mrs. Adelaide McKee, Lake Division Superintendent, nominated Mrs. Doran, of Muncie, Indiana, who had received her training in Washington, D.C. for this class. The Warehouse class was conducted during the third week of August, 1917, and the necessary number of certified inspectors prepared, six from Fort Wayne, and six from outer twons. Later, Mrs. Kemp-Howe was sent to instruct a class at Indiana Harbor, and Mrs. William Burger taught classes at Columbia City,and at Bluffton. In the field supervision, Mrs.E.J.Rieke was Mrs. Fauve's assistant.

The furnishings for the warehouse were loaned or donated gladly by D.N.Foster, Pickard House Furnishing Co., Hitzeman and Singer Sewing Machine Agencies, Mesdames Fauve, Morris,Reitze,F.E.Stouder,Frysinger,Miller,Meriwether,and Stiefel. Mrs Julia Faye Randall taught and inspected until her resignation, when Mrs. Cavalier succeeded her. Mrs. Grandchamp taught classes in French at the Warehouse, and Charles Grandchamp gave free assistance in janitor duty. Three boy scouts, Wayne Merrill, Roscoe Coburn, and Leland Dixon are remembered for their willing help. Earl D. Farr of the Boss Manufacturing Company, Messrs. Ed.Rieke and Ed Howe, and a number of the "boys in Khaki", awaiting marching orders, assisted in the shipping.

A full force of experienced women workers was necessary every day and all day, A great part of the manual labor of opening and handling the 2x3x3 packing cases was demanded by circumstances of the inspectors,who,realizing the seriousness of the times, stood staunchly, cheerfully and unitedly by their posts, until the last box was closed and carried out. No finer service was rendered anywhere than by the Northern Indiana Warehouse force.

Twelve carloads of supplies passed through the Warehouse being shipped as follows:L& N,car #7047, loaded with eighty-nine cases,was the first to leave any Indiana warehouse, being shipped on code order to warehouse #3, New York, September 19, 1917. On the dates October 22,Nov.14,Nov.20,Nov.27,Dec.15, and Dec.16.1917, and Jan.10,Feb.2,Feb.23, (two cars the same day),and the final car Mar.2, 1918.

In the November shipment were placed the Christmas packets for the boys"over there",an additional consignment of 421 packets being forwarded overseas by express November 20, 1917. November 27, 630 packets were expressed to Camp Chillicothe, and December 16, 158 packets went to Camp Taylor. Knitted garments were shipped at separate order, bothoverseas and to Camps Taylor, Sherman,Shelby and Chillicothe.Comfort pillows were sent to Cleveland warehouse, and to New York, and Refugee garments were sent to Indianapolis warehouse until orders arrived to send these overseas direct.

September 15, the first wareroom on Calhoun street had been required by the new lessee, and a vacant room at 121 West Main street being offered, the remaining six months of warehouse work was carried on.

It may be said , that while the warehouse activities took many workers from the Chapter house, the work at the latter never suffered in any department, the division of forces being somewhat offset by the fact that as long as the local warehouse was in operation the labor of packing at the Chapter House was kept at the lowest minimum; also that the work from the Chapter House , having already passed through the hands of certified inspectors, did not need inspection, but could be checked out and stacked at once; all of which was conservation of labor. Altogether, the Northern Indiana Warehouse was a notable item in the sum of Fort Wayne's War Service.

THE CANTEEN SERVICE.

"When the boys came home".

FORT WAYNE is one of more than seven hundred important railway stations, on trunk lines, at which canteen service had been established up to November 16, 1918;yet the Fort Wayne Canteen is recognized as one of the finest of them all, regardless of the size of the city. "There is a reason"!

The Executive Committee, of the Chapter, in the latter part of July, 1918 decided to select a chairman to organize and operate a canteen service for troop trains passing through Fort Wayne en route to Europe. Their choice fell upon Mrs. Will K. Noble, with Mrs. Ralph Magee as vice-chairman.

On a ground floor room in the Gauntt building, was obtained through the courtesy of Mr. C.M.Niezer, all the equipment being donated by merchants , utility companies and private homes, Mr. M.C.Norton loaning practically all of the furniture needed for the headquarters. A large corps of workers was organized into teams serving one day each week,each member being required to register for report to Washington. Before being permitted to go on duty,every woman was given the oath of allegiance, promising that no word concerning any troop movement should pass from any canteen member before forty-eight hours after the train should have left the city. (This was during the movement of troops toward the front.) They were instructed that canteen work was not to be discussed even with one's family, because each worker was a part of the Government team work, and as such was responsible for any information the enemy might obtain concerning troop ,ovements--and this not alone for the prevention of troop train disaster, but to prevent the cabling of cipher messages across the seas.

The railroad officers were authorized by the Government to co-operate with the Canteen Service by giving the Canteen officials information of the approach and arrival of troop trains. All of the railroads concerned assisted the corps splendidly, in their arduous labor,The "trailer" donated by the Standard Club, built especially for the use of the Motor Corps, in transporting the refreshments supplies to the stations, was always accorded the help necessary to place it where the Canteeners could use it to best advantage. When taken at the rear of an automobile to the elevated stations, of Wabash or Pennsylvania,the station hands would unfasten it, run it into the elevator,and land it safely on the upper platform. Special mention is made by the Commandant, to the willingness of Callistus Harber(better known to all Canteeners as "Pete of the Pennsylvania") who was throughout, all say, the"wonder man" of them all. Mr. Brownsberger, the Pennsylvania station master, granted every privilege desired; and in the West Yards, of the "Nickel Plate"railroad, where the trrop trains on that line

halted, two little houses were fitted up by the company employees, with stoves, fuel, and "the keys to keep". Telegraphers James Callahan of the Nickel Plate, and J.P. Shea of the Pennsylvania, took the utmost pains to keep the Canteen informed of train movement, if late, to save them time and inconvenience in such case. The telephone girls everywhere in the offices are due for commendation in faithful and painstaking service to the Corps, especial mention being made of the Misses Marie and Cecelia Costello, at the Pennsylvania.

The "Commissariat" was organized and operated by Mrs. Margaret S. Olds, Major, and Mrs. J.W. Thompson, all the provisions for the troops in transit being prepared by them, or under their command. Mrs. Olds being transferred to another position in the Canteen service, in February, 1919, Mrs. Thompson and Mrs. Luella Heller Lindeman became the "Commissariat" heads, these women making all the many thousands of gallons of coffee served from the opening of the Canteen. Sandwiches were served the summer and fall of 1918 but later the offering was fresh doughnuts, made "like mother's", Mr. Fred H. Fell, of the Scherer Baking Company being the exclusive "Doughnut Man" of the Canteen for many months. Mr. Fell personally made as many as four thousand doughnuts in one day--and Mrs. Thompson and Mrs. Lindeman have brewed as high as 165 gallons of coffee in one day, to match those doughnuts. That was the "record day" of the Canteen, in its first half year.

The initiation of the Canteen workers occurred in the serving of three thousand colored troops on their way to overseas service. It was a strenuous day for the untried women, but the christening of the Red Cross Canteen was a success.

Until the signing of the Armistice, the troop movement was all eastward--joyous lads they were, then, wild over the prospect of striking a blow for the Allied Cause, whooping and cheering as they drew into the stations where they knew the Red Cross would meet them, and cheering more lustily still, as they steamed eastward, realizing that the Red Cross of America was backing them up not only with hot coffee, but warm good wishes.

Oh, but it made the women glad and proud to serve them! And they carried the story of "the eats they gave us in Fort Wayne", and better still, "the kindness that came with it", clear to France, and scattered it along the way.

Miss Winnie Callahan, one of Fort Wayne's Red Cross girls in France, overheard some wounded soldiers in a ward of Base Hospital No. 94, discussing the Fort Wayne Canteen Service, and immediately there was a bond of good fellowship established between these grateful boys and the Aide from Fort Wayne, over their common remembrance.

Returning soldier lads all seemed to have heard in the Eastern camps that they were"sure of a welcome,with coffee and doughnuts" when they reached Fort Wayne; and the cheering bronzed-faced crowd were always ready at the open windows, or came tumbling off the steps, with their canteen cups to be filled with the steaming coffee, and to reach for the tempting doughnuts. Those who could not leave the car did their best to hold their cups low enough for their hostesses to fill, glad to hear the cheering words of welcome, and voice their appreciation.

The Canteen Corps took the keenest pleasure in serving with the same graciousness the humblest private, and the officer of highest rank who accompanied them--though with the officers it was always : "After my men,--if there's time,thank you".

Often the women heard : "Oh yes, we know Fort Wayne; this is where we had such wonderful service and greeting om our way to France--often remembered it, over there."

E.J.Longfield, of the Inter-Urban Lunchroom, and Mr. Smith of the Pennsylvania restaurant were of timely help in the many occasional emergencies, as, for instance,the day when only two hundred and eighty-seven soldiers were reported coming through, and nine hundred and eighty really arrived! Then were they truly "friends indeed" to the Canteen Corps. As late as the middle of March, 1919, the aggregate service for one month had reached as high as 30,000 men, soldiers,sailors and marines. After that date the numbers swelled steadily for two or three months,nearly 69,000 soldiers being served in the month of May.

In January,1919,Mrs.R.L.Magee left for California, and Mrs. Harriet (Fowler) Dorsey became vice-Commandant. The idea of a Soldiers and Sailors' Rest Room was conceived by the Commandant and her staff, and permission was asked and granted from Sup't. O. Schroll of the Pennsylvania Company, to fit up a rest room and counter to serve those men who, changing cars here,often had hours to wait in a strange city, without friends, and in the frequently penniless condition of the returning soldier. Previous to this the ground floor of the Pennsylvania station was crowded at train times with a confusion of curiosity mongers, loose women, pick-pockets,with an attendant [illegible] commotion which required the presence of policemen to restrain.

The room was fitted up in February, with very little expense to the Chapter, as local merchants in those lines donated the use of the most attractive wicker and fibre furniture, rugs, writing tables and things to please [illegible] the eye as well; besides the coffee urn, a victrola,a neat counter and furnishings, a tidy little ice-box--and everything to make it a pleasant place for the soldier to rest, read,write a letter or card, secure information, ask advice,send telegrams to relatives, or get the needed refreshment he had not time to go outside for, or was without funds to buy. And with it all, sincerely cordial and gracious courtesy!

An old soldier of "61", delighted at the courtesy he received here, said:"Ah, we "Boys in Blue" weren't treated like the "boys in Khaki"!

The "Casuals" as these boys were called, at first averaged only about eight or ten daily, but later there was a service of twenty-five or thirty to a train, following the est ablishment of the "paging" of trains by the conductors, before entering the city. Sixty to eighty-five a day became a low average by the middle of spring. The Rest Room Canteen service was for any one in uniform, nurses,K.of C's, soldiers,marines--every rank--who were in neddof a little immediate assistance in any of the avenues mentioned, or kindred troubles. They were served with refreshments, if hungry, baggage was checked without delay;baggage lost or strayed,was recovered--some very good detective work was done in this line by the Rest Room corps,-"first aid" was given in cases of illness on the train;Wheel chairs and ambulance service called if needed;Letters were written for disabled boys;or a little mending--therewas a workbasket at hand;advice and information given on everything conceivable--from matrimony to real estate, or where to "hunt a job"; emergency welfare work was [illegible] frequently requisite in the case of the youngest soldiers just out of service.

Finding lost relatives was sometimes as necessary as recovering lost baggage. And the chance to talk seemed sometimes the thing most craved by the soldier just home from Europe, who might begin by stating some small trouble, which vanished with a little bright conversation. Once unlocked, their tongues were eager and entertaining. One never knows a soldier until he talks. Uniforms made them all appear alike to the casual observer. Many a rough looking Doughboy, when engaged in talk, proved most gentle spoken and intelligent.

As organized for work, the Rest Room detachment of the Canteen Corps was for the first few weeks in charge of Mrs. Margaret Olds ,,with Miss Margaret Hanna as vice-chairman, Mrs. Olds' early resignation occasioned a re-adjustment, by which Miss Hanna became "Major" with Miss Helen Ittenbach, chairman of supplies,and a list of "hostesses", three of whom were detailed for each day of the week, while the girls who assisted were [illegible] supplied by the canteen"captain of the day". The regulation uniform prescribed for Canteen workers was worn invariably by the Canteeners on duty. The Corps did the entire work with their own hands,washed the dishes, and kept the towels laundered. In this the liberal courtesy of the whole Pennsylvania restaurant staff, both counter and kitchen, is an acknowledged factor, the need for hot water and space for drying, and even for sandwiches and pie in cases of unexpected rushes,being supplied by them. To the chef, "Bill Wieman", grateful recognition is expressed for all the hams he boiled; and as well to Night Police Officer Frank Cheviron, who,with the assistance of George Weber of the Pennsylvania night service volunteered to serve coffee and doughnuts to to any"casuals"

who passed through Fort Wayne after 9:30 P.M., and carried out this service efficiently. Without the co-operation of the officials the tremendous canteen work at this point could not have been accomplished. From Ticket Agent John Ross and Station Masters Brownsberger and Lauer, down through the list of assistants, telephone girls and telegraphers, not forgetting William the porter, none were ever too busy to lend a hand, and all are held in grateful remembrance.

A "Visitors' Book" was kept at the Rest Room, in which every soldier who had time was invited to write his name. It is entertaining and enlightening to look through its pages. One finds not only names, but many flashes of humor, and many expressions of gratitude and appreciation, often beautifully worded, and always with the ring of sincerity.

"To our wives and sweethearts, the Red Cross Canteen!" wrote one.

"I am taking my golden opinions of the Fort Wayne Canteen home with me to California", says another.

"In all my travels from coast to coast and "overseas" with the A.E.F. I have never received such kindnesses and courtesies as I have from the Fort Wayne Canteen."--this from an officer.

"I took nine post cards. Thanks for them, thanks for the rocking chair, and for all the Red Cross did for us overseas" was written by a boy who came in during the night.

"Never have I seen a Canteen take such pleasure in doing so much for us boys. God bless Fort Wayne." --the Guest Book is filled with messages like these. And many a spontaneous expression of appreciation, overheard or addressed to the girls at the counter, lingers in the memory to make it all worth while--the drudgery of the work, scrubbing counters, sweeping and dusting the Rest Room, washing the dishes and towels, keeping the supplies within reach, paging the trains, running errands in haste for passengers unable to get down stairs at the stations, putting up quick lunches for some who would have no other opportunity for a lunch formany hours, and an endless list of duties under trying conditions, when thewaiting room was too cold, of too hot, wearing the imperative veil when it was a positive burden, always seemingly tireless when they were really ready to drop from fatigue. The hearty

"Real Java, boys,--hot, too!"

"Say, Buddy, do you get that? Fresh ham and bread cut while you wait!" Nothing stale in this Canteen!"

"Don't bother to get me a lunch--you look so tired!"

"Thanks! Say, don't you ever get tired of doing for us boys? God bless you! We'll never forget Fort Wayne, nor the Red Cross!"

lightened the burden and made it a pleasure to serve.

The Detective force at the Station called the Canteen their "best policemen". On the other side, the detectives

were most valued aides of the Canteeners on every hand. Many times, finding a young discharged soldier in uniform waiting a chance to steal a ride on the "bumpers", they saved him from arrest by bringing him to the Rest Room where a hot lunch, a "clean-up", a warm, safe place to spend the night, and a kindly lecture from a Canteen worker set him on the straight path to honest employment. A case in point was that of a young sailor lad not yet seventeen, who ran away from his home (in the Phillipines) in January, 1917, to enlist in the Navy. Serving throughout the war, he had received his discharge and gone to an aunt in Cleveland, where he secured "a job". The whimsical boy, evidently well-born and well-bred, but a trifle spoiled, also had run away from Cleveland merely because his aunt, kind woman, was "too fat" to appeal to his sense of beauty. Firm but gentle treatment with no nonsense in it, sent him back to Cleveland a wiser lad, determined to do his part better, and to wait until word should reach him from his mother in the Phillipines,- to whom a card was mailed from the Canteen. "Trying to be a man, were you? Well, that isn't the way. You have been behaving like a naughty little boy!" The youngster saw the point.

Eager lookout was kept for "Home Comers", Fort Wayne Boys landing unheralded to their families. Many escaped recognition, their swift steps carrying them past the Rest Room too rapidly for them to hear the greeting, or, catching the "Welcome home!" and a proffer of service only in time to toss back a happy shout, "No, thanks! I'll be at home in ten minutes-but I'll never forget what the Red Cross did for me "over there".

Auto rides were arranged for crippled soldiers, waiting for another train. Ill or disabled boys were made comfortable on the couch, screened from public gaze while they rested. Blinded soldiers were made to smile while gentle [illegible] hands assisted them to refreshments. On one occasion, during the Flu epidemic, a telegram arrived at 1:A.M., asking that that the Canteen have three hundred and fifty flu masks ready, the disease having broken out in an approaching troop train. The supply at the Chapter House having been exhausted by the rush of the preceding evening, and but a scant four hours in which to prepare the masks, it was fortunate indeed that those Canteeners were all "S.D." workers, and the masks were ready before the 5:A.M. train drew into the Station. Many times, in fact, the Canteen did major service in Civilian Relief, having charge of the preparation and delivery to plague-stricken families of sick-room necessities--broths, soups, custards and delicate foods, oranges, and other imperative wants.

Twenty-three thousand men were servde at the Rest Room counter in the month of June, 1919. One wonders how those women ever did it! One night, four hundred and fifty unannounced soldiers descended the stairs cups in hand for "Hot Java"--only fifty being expected. Twenty minutes saw them all satisfied with hot coffee and [illegible] doughnuts. Again, when eighteen suppers had been ordered ahead, the train unloaded one hundred and forty colored boys, tired and hungry. Were they served

in twenty minutes? Indeed they were! No Canteener can tell just how, butthe boys themselves never failed to help,in emergency,and the Pennsylvania employes, and officials and restaurant people always were ready with willing aid, it was done without delaying the waiting trains a minute.

July 1st, 17,000 cups of coffee or/punch were served over the Rest Room counter, with eight thousand doughnuts. This has nothing to do with troop train records as the Rest Room served only soldiers in transit on regular trains,while the Canteen proper attended to the stupendous mass movements of home nound soldiers who did not leave the trains.

The Rest Room was open until 1:30 A.M. on July Fourth, giving "first aid" , the"subjects" being members of the"Jackies'Band". Repeatedly, when units or organizations of this sort were "held over" the Rest Room Corps were their hostesses. The conductors and porters who paged the troop trains reported the "Cheer-up activity which took place aboard the cars whenever the officers passed along the word of the Canteen ahead. The car would ring with hoarse shouts of "Canteen girls will meet us in an hour,boys!""Get your shoes on, Buddie!" "Here, lend me your razor!" "Where s my soap?" "Canteen at Fort Wayne! Good eats! Pretty girls!"

There were served , on/troop trains , by the regular Canteen Service Corps, from July,1918, to September,1919 , a total of five hundred and eight thousand,three hundred and thirty-seven (508,337) soldiers,sailors and marines! The greatest number served in one month on troop trains was in May, 1919, when sixty-eight thousand,three hundred and ninety-one (68,391) were recorded. The highest record for one day was six thousand,three hundred and twenty men. Numbered in periodsof service, there were three hundred and seventy eight women engaged in the entire Canteen service, about one hundred and thirty of whom were were a part of the Rest Room Corps, but as many of these did double duty the labor fell on far fewer shoulders than that, the actual number probably not exceeding two hundred and fifty,including all the officials.

From March/1919 until the close the doughnuts were made by the Model Dairy Company, and gave the limit of satisfaction. As many as eight thousand were furnished in one day, without any loss of toothful quality.

The Canteen was open until 2:A.M. when the Rainbow Division was expected to pass through, and several similar nights of work are on record. A Red Cross tent being requsted at Swinney Park for the Fourth of July "Welcome home" demonstration of 1919, the Canteen was given charge,and served over six hundred of our own Allen cannty soldier boys during the day. The Canteen Corps , in costume,lined up to form a long lane through which Secretary Daniels of the U.S.Naval Bureau led the returning lads.

A still further service outside the the regular routine

was the entertainment of the Coast to Coast Motor Transport Convoy, who were assembled at Lawton Park, where the refreshments and welcome were as efficient and hearty as nearer the regular base of supplies.

Much relief work was done at the stations when the Commandant and her aides visited the trains--often hospital trains-- and gave flowers and cheer to the boys who were going home maimed and broken, andwhenever possible secured local attention to their hurts. More than once shell-shocked or half convalescent boys were taken from the trains to rest a while at Fort Wayne, to break the unendurable irksomeness of the troop train travel. At Christmas time the boys' eyes were brightened by the sight of a pretty Christmas tree provided by Miss Hanna, and at Easter many flowers were distributed through the kindness of the Flick Floral Company. A Red Cross Canteen official,passing through the hospital car of a train on Christmas evening,impulsively gave her corsage bouquet of orchids(a holiday gift) to a big soldier who had post both his legs--though not his courage. With a glad laugh he held them up and shouted,

"Look,boys! I'm the only married man in the bunch (all of them were minus one or more limbs) and I get the flowers!" then, turning , he said, "Yes, Red Cross, they took my pins, but they didn't get my arms,thank God. I can still take my wife and babies into them when I get home, and that's more than half the world,Red Cross".

An Escort service was begun in February by the Canteen, its purpose being to accompany hospital trains for a distance to give timely help to disabled soldiers, who sustained temporary neglect. Two women composing the usual squad, boarded the train at this point and went as far as Chicago, writing letters for some, fetching a taste of daintier food than the train afforded, or infusing a bit of patience or courage into the despondent. They learned som lessons of patience and bravery themselves, at times. "Buddie", prompted a surgeon in charge once, "tell the Red Cross what happened to your legs". And Buddie, with a deprecating grin siad,"Oh, twasn't anything much. Went out walking in No Man's Land and stepped on one of the Kaiservs calling cards". This Escort service was maintained until the last of the Hospital trains had passed through the city. Numerous evidences of gratitude,from wounded soldiers who remembered the kindnesses of the Fort Wayne Escort,have come back to the Canteen, telling of"grafted bones,"and renewed hope and happiness at being at home once more.

All through the Canteen work, very amusing as well as pathetic things were heard or experienced by the "Red Cross" as the boys called them all. They found a way to serve in every case, as when a "trouble call" brought the Commndant to the Station, to deal with a <u>great big</u> soldier, on his way to Siberia. Passing through the Windy City on Lake Michigan he had lost his ticket through the car window, and being limited as to time of embarkation was in danger censure, perhaps disgrace and punishment if he failed to reach New York on time--and alas, the conductor

had been obliged to put him off the train at Fort Wayne!His embarrassment and distress were commensurate with his huge physique,but the Commandant overcame them both, and supplied h the needed ticket and traveling money, after getting the ground facts of the case. Two very big tears of gratitude splashed down the knaki uniform as he said,upon being offered"a comfort kit if he needed it", "You don't know how I need it! When I get to Siberia, I'm going to send you something!" --and the rest of the story is that the money advanced him came back from the city of embarkation before the big soldier sailed away, his commanding officer having advanced the funds to pay his debt of honor.

On another occasion a dozen soldiers ,sharing the cares of a tiny, homesick Belgian canine, born in France(and understanding only French),were giving the doggie an airing while the troop train halted at the station. They were planning to cast lots for his ultimate possession before reaching the parting of their ways. The Commandant offered to relieve them of the pain of this decision by taking him herself.

"Oh, he wont go to ladies! He's never met one." they assured her, in unison.

She leaned over and spoke a few pitying words in French, with the result that he leaped into her arms, and snuggled there in a transport of delight.

"You see?" she said.

But the answer was solemnly returned that she could secure the beastie "only over twelve dead bodies", and so the little mascot was relinquished to his twelve live "buddies" and borne westward on the train.

Two questions were asked concerning the Canteen Service. One of them was : "Does it pay to do so much for those boys?"

There is a multitude of answers for this question, in addition to the first and obvious "YES!". One finds a difficulty in choosing which to give,since space forbids saying all that can be said.

But, did it pay them? Was all the sacrifice of positions and prospects and time and health worth their while? Was all the risk of eyes and limbs and life itself worth while,to them? Were all the dreary months of labor and waiting, in mud and rain, in trench or, cellar in company with rats and cooties, or in stables or tents, so great a compensation in itself that the mere memory of it should sustain them in years to come, with shattered nerves and maimed bodies and blinded eyes to bear through life? No, war did not pay them for their sacrifice!

And did you ever go to the station to see the relief the Canteen gave to crowded train loads of weary,dispirited boys, scarcely out of their 'teens, still suffering from the weakness of weeks or months in the hospitals, or with the hospital ordeal still to face. If you had a part in that work of love you know that it was a reward in itself. If your son or your brother or your husband was one of those boys you know it did pay. If your boy, coming home after months of the roughest life imaginable,

jaded with travel in the crowded bunks of foreign trains and troop ships, out of a job, and empty in pocket was given the cup of cold water, the welcome that cheered him and gave him hope, it paid you, as well as her who gave it. If he came broken in body, and groping his way through a world forevermore darkened, and gentle, sweet-voiced women cheered and helped him on his way back to you, you know it paid--nobody needs to prove it to you. It paid us many fold! But the debt is not paid that we owe to those boys, nor can anything we ever were able to do pay that debt. It only helped a little bit.

As many a boy has said, "After all, it isn't the 'eats'; it's the pleasantness, and the 'Glad to see you home again!" smiles of the 'honest to God American girl and woman!"

The other question we mentioned was: "How much salary do the Canteen workers get?"

There is a hint of such incomprehensible sordidness in this query as to have aroused indignation, had it not emanated in all probability from some abysmal depth of ignorance.

"Easy to answer," says Major Hanna, "biggest salary in the world: Smiles from soldier boys".

No Canteen worker ever dreamed of higher pay than that, and no one else would, had they even been onlookers at the Canteen work of those many months. They would have learned that the value of life is not measured by what we take out of it for ourselves, but by what we put into it for others. There is no glory equal to that of giving. That is the glory that shines in the flame of the Red Cross.

APPENDIX.

PRE-ORGANIZATION MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN RED CROSS IN FORT WAYNE.

(Citizens)
Judge Robert S. Taylor.
Mrs. Fanny Wright Taylor
Mr. Byron D. Angell
Mr. W.W. Pool
Mr. E.W. Pierce
Dr. Miles F. Porter, sr.

(Nurses) Miss Elizabeth Melville, R.C.N.
" ELIZABETH SPRINGER, "
" Anna Lauman "
" Frances F. Keyser "
" Lilian Garard "
" Besse Sewell "
" Augusta A. Fisher "
" Rose Teichman "
" Lucy Lauman "

Members at time of Spanish -American War:
Drs. W.W. and Charles E. Barnett.

The "Charter" Membership Group:

Dr. Carrie Banning
Patricia Irene Byron
Dr. Jessie C. Calvin
Frank H. Cutshall
Mrs. Laura G. Detzer
Rev. Gustavus Doege
" Arthur J. Folsom
Bert J. Griswold
Mrs. Bert J. Griswold
Mrs. Adrian E. Fauve
Clifford Hutchinson
Rev. Henry B. Master
Mrs. J.R. Meriwether
Edward C. Miller
O.E. Mohler
Anna Lauman
Will H.W. Peltier
E.W. Pierce
E.L. Taylor

THE INITIAL DRIVE FOR MEMBERSHIP.
PERSONNEL OF THE WORKING COMMITTEE IN THE HOUSE TO HOUSE CANVASS, FEBRUARY AND MARCH, 1917.

Mesdames:
Harry Askew
R.S.Banks
J.D.Banning
Joseph Baum
J.W.Bosch
Richard Blossom
Mabel Clayton
J.B.Crankshaw
Alec Cour
Cox
Gaston Baihle
Laura G. Detzer
Frank Dinnen
Phil Dixon
Fred Davis
Norton N. Fisher
Carolyn Randall Fairbank
E.A.Fitzgerald
W.O.Granger
G.H.Heine
Fred Heine
Robert Harding
Arthur L. Hadley
A.L.Johns
F.J.Kanaga
L.M.Kelsey
.W.Knight
Ed. Kibiger
Charles W. Lang
S.J.Leland
Fred McCulloch
Guy Mahurin
William McKay
G.W.McCaskey
F.M.Miles
Everett Miles
Mary Proehl
W.C.Ryan
Will H. Rohan
Amos Richey
Arthur H. Kemmel
H.H.Ray
H.H.Rogers
J.D.Rauch
J.G.Schwartz
Austin Stults
Louis ~~Ste~~Stiefel
C.A.Stockbridge
I.H.Shorey
Fred Shoaff
James Shields
James Stemen
Charles Spaulding
S.L.Stover
Howard Tonsend
Ferd Urbahns
J.M.Van Camp
John Wolfram
Charles Worden
Guy Woods
S.D.Zies

Misses:
Mary Abel
Archer
Emma Armstrong
Minette Baum
Mildred Bowser
Virginia Carey
Cole(Y.W.C.A.Sec'y)
Marie Centlivre
Italia Evans
Harriet Fowler
Celia Foley
Alice Habecker
Ola Marks
Margaret MacPhail
Jane Meriwether
Elizabeth Porter
Irma Poole
Margery Study
Elizabeth Sihler
Lucile Vail
Margaret Vesey
Flora Wilber
Keturah Williams
Clara Williams
Ignota White
Winter
Martha Wohlfort
High School Committee:
Margaret Evans
Katherine Kampe
Margaret Anne Keegan
Louise Tyger
William White

Messrs:
B B. Arnold
J.R.Coar
W.J.Hess
A.P.Leverton
Charles Meigs

Initial Membership Drive-continued.

(Messrs.)
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C.P.Milliken
A.R.Parker
S.B.Plasket
Fred Pocock
Miles F. Porter, jr.
F.M.Price
Louis C. Ward
Charles M. Niezer.

Committees in charge of noon meetings held at Industrial plants beginning February 20, 1917, to enlighten and interest the the employees in the Red Cross Membership Drive:

General Committee:
Rev. A.J.Folsom
Dr. Miles F. Porter, jr.
" H.O.Brueggeman
E.W.Pierce
Homer Miller
Clifford Hutchinson

General Electric Detail:
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W.F.Melching
B.Paul Mossman
Dr. Miles F. Porter, jr.
" A.F.Schultz
"Dr., Carrie Banning
Team:
Bertha Cour, Minnie Blue,
Alma Kayser, Emma Kettler,
F.S.Walburn, W.H.Fell,
F.G.Fleming, James Townsend,
Walter Blomberg, G.Obenchain,
M.S.Willson.

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Dr.J.H.Gilpin, Dr. Noah Zehr,
Fred Crosby, Lester Dunten,
Edward Nix, Frank Klenner,
C.Bohne, W. Larimore.

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Frank Anglin, Carl Bahlinger,
Fred Schaphorst, Earl Saffen,
W.L.Neimeyer, G. Leeper,
J.B.Brown, L. Blue,
F.J.Thompson, J.B.Bowles,
F.E.Friedman, J.H.Hobrock,
H.C.Daseler, F.S.Doriot,
E.Breimeyer.

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George Sharp, Charles Steger,
Charles Peek, Roy Campbell,
Walter Siebert.

Bowser & Co. Detail:
Herschel Mauk, Ed. Challenger,
John Brown , Homer Irvin,
Eugene Monroe, W. Kool,
George Keplinger, Lewis Allendorff
Glen Lewis, Miss Laura Pohler.

The Packard Co. Detail:
J.H.Young, John Ericksen,
L.D.McNamara, Otto Kucher,
Henry Sininger.

The Wayne Knitting Mills Detail:
Irwin Toy, Elmer Knies, A. Winsch, Irvin Holt, R. Ruster,
Fred Cramer, A. Deck, John Doermer, and the Misses:
Linda Rehling, Agnes Diek, and Mary Conn.

The Roumanian Society of Sixty Members headed by
Zack Bodican.

Initial Drive, House to House Canvass-continued.

Organizations, Institu tions and Manufacturers assisting, (not otherwise mentioned):

Morning Musicale Society
Rurde Dry Goods Co.
Penna. Flag Committee
Women's Republic
So. Wayne P-T Club.
Spy Run " " "
Nebraska " " "
Mrs. H.H.Rogers
Mrs August J. Detzer, (for Gates and Frank's stores)
Saturday Club, Woman's Reading Club, Twentieth Century Club, Nineteenth Century Club, The Willing Workers, The Duodecimo, The Needlework Guild, Relief Union, Original Shakespeare Club, Thursday Afternoon Shakespeare Club, The Daughters of the American Revolution, Audubon Society, Franchise League, Visiting Nurse League, Mothers Club, Fortnightly Club, Y.W.C.A., Women's Auxiliary-Hope Hospital, Library Table Club, College Club, Current Literature Club, Round Table Club, Art Association, Hebrew Benevolent Society, Red Cross Nurse Association.
Post Office, Chamber of Commerce, Miner School, Nebraska School, Harmar Junior High School, Hanna School, Bloomingdale, Sch., Lakeside Training School, James H. Smart School, Jefferson Junior High School, Hamilton School, Rudisill School, Adams School, Hoagland School.
Masonic (J.M.Stouder)
" (Charles Meigs)
Fort Wayne Chapter House, A.R.C.
Boss Mfg. Company, Dudlo Mfg. Company.
Pennsylvania R.R. Company.
Wayne Oil Tank Company,
Wayne Knitting Mills,
Pollak Shirt Waist Company,
Foster Shirt Waist Company,
Mossman-Yarnelle Company,
Northern Indiana Warehouse, Red Cross.

Auxiliaries: A.R.C. Decatur Branch, Kendallville, Harlan, Grabill, So. Whitley, Geneva, LaGrange, Woodburn, Monroeville, Monroe Twp., Avilla, Brimfield, Berne, Albion, Ligonier, Huntertown, Hoagland, Leo, Pleasant Mills, New Haven, Arcola, Howe, Topeka, Wolcottville, So. Milford, Stroh Unit.

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Shop Campaign Speakers:
To Federation men, Dr. E.E.Morgan, Dr. Caton, & E.C.Miller.

To Foreign Laborers, Drs. A.E.Fauve, and Charles Beall, Mr. E.C.Miller.

THE LOVING CUP CONTEST.
July 4, 1917.
A ONE DAY MEMBER SHIP DRIVE.
Swinney Park.

Contestants:
Rose Albright
Clara Albrecht
Blanche Bowman
Emma Bruns
Lizetta Case
Christie Crabb
Mrs Harry Dreibelbiss
Marie Evarde
Lizzie Friedman
Mrs. Otto Martwig
Hilda Holocher
Velma Kemp
Myrtle Kemp
Rosemary Kirkhoff
Mrs. Alfred Kidd
Katherine Metzger
Eugene Manüel
Leroy McKee
Althea Logan
Marjorie Oliver
Laura Oetting
Agnes Pramger
Hilda Pranger
Felicitas Pranger
Nora Rehnen
Mrs. Ethel Sunday
Alice Stocking
George Smith
Edward Storkey
The Misses Valentine
Flora Perry
Kenneth Gaston
Emma Vogel
Mabel Woods

Firms and Captains represented in the lists:
The Boss Mfg.Co., Hilda Pranger
Clara Albrecht
Dudlo Mfg.Co., Elsa Milligan
Wolf and Dessauer, Mrs Agnes Pennyer
Knitting Mills, Mrs Swanson
Miss Haag
Foster Mfg. Co., Miss Florence Kemp
(Mrs Howe)

The Winner: Miss Florence Kemp.
Aggregate Enrollment for the Red Cross; 350 new members.
The cup, donated by Mrs. A.E. Fauve, chairman of Membership.
Inscribed: "Donated by Mrs. A.E. Fauve, Chairman of Red Cross Membership Committee, July 4, 1917". Reverse: "Won by Miss Florence Kemp".

$5. gold piece offered by Miss Frances Ott to the winner, for the enrollment of five babies under one year old, won by Foster Mfg Cl., the babies being selected by vote of the Foster employees, as follows:
Henry Drayer,
Robert Dirmeyer
Baby Edwards
Anthony Kartholl
Ralph Edward Wilson.

An American Flag, presented by the W.C.T.U. to the largest delegation in the parade, was won by the Foster Manufacturing Company.

THE FIRST AID COMMITTEE.

Chairman , Dr. Miles F. Porter, sr.,
March23, 1917.

Executive:

Dr. Porter, sr. Chmn.
" A.E.Fauve, vice-Chmn.
"Miles F. Porter, jr. Sec'y and Treas.
" H.O.Brueggeman,
" Budd Van Sweringen
" W.D.Calvin
" Carrie Banning
" Charles E. Barnett
Miss Elizabeth Springer, R.C.N.
Mr. S.B.Bechtel
Prof. Louis Dorn
Miss Anna Lauman, R.C.N.

Volunteers in First Aid Teaching.

Dr. Carrie Banning
" B.A.Barlow
" Barnett, C.E.
" Barnett, W.W.
"D.R.Benninghoff
" J.E.Bickel
" H.V.Blosser
" R.N.Bolman
" J.W.Bowers
" H.O.Brueggeman
" A.E.Bulson
" W.D.Calvin*
" J.C.Calvin
" W.W.Carey
" M.B.Catlett
" Eric Crull
" Charles R. Dancer
" James M. Dinnen
" I.W.Ditton
" L.Park Drayer
" H.A.Duemling *
" F.G.Eberhard
" Karl C. Eberly
" B.M.Edlavitch
" Waldo Farnham
" Adrian E. Fauve
" John M. GILpin
" H.E.Glock
"Lyman K. Gould
" G.L.Greenawalt *
" C.G.Beall *
" W.O.Gross *
" Allen Hamilton
" S.H.Havice

Dr. Maurice Lohman
" Edward Kruse
" A.L.Kane *
" W.O.McBride
" G.W.McCaskey
" E.J.McOscar *
" Edgar N. Mendenhall
" Dean Metcalf
" A.L.Mikesell
" E.E.Morgan *
" Fletcher A. Phillips
" Miles F. Porter, sr.,
" Miles F. Porter, jr.
" Henry Ranke
" Lyman T. Rawles
" Herbert H. Ray
" B.W.Rhamy
" W.B.Rice
" Maurice Rosenthal
" Charles J. Rothschild
" A.L.Schneider
" A.F.Schulz
" Herbert L. Senseny
" Elmer C. Singer
" Ben Perley Weaver
" George S. Bliss, I.S.F.M.M.

#called to service.
* deceased.

FIRST AID CLASSES

The D.A.R. class, first to be taught,
Dr. Miles F. Porter, Instructor.

Mrs. Jennie M. Conny
Mrs Nanna B. Wodd
Mrs Ella Keel.Pettit
Mrs Pearl Foster Rahe
Mrs Ella Maud Morris
Mrs Mary Orvis Rhamy
Miss Julia Alexander

Class One, Dr. W.D.Calvin, Instructor.

Mrs E.A.Barnes
" Guy Bassett
" Thomas Beban
" Albert Bowser
" John Carpon
" R.E.Casey
" S.W.Greenland
" C.C.Miller
" Daniel Milligan
" Louise G. Corns-Nelson
"Harry Quicksell
" J.A.Rossell
" Will H. Rohan
" Frank Smith
" Herbert Somers
" E.M.Savercool
" Otto Scheuman
" Howard Townsend
" John Wolfram
Miss Blanche Bilderback
" Marjorie Rohan
" Emma Scheuman
" Katherine Vesey

Class Two, Dr. W.D.Calvin,

Mrs. A.G.Burry
" E.H.Briggs
" Nate Seadell
" A.J.Folsom
" Robert Koerber
" Francis Miles
" Marriot Price
" W.K.Wilder
" Williard Wooding
Miss Anna Adler
" Mabel Bechtel
" Lola Eckels
" Edith Foster
" Lilian Foster
" Fern Kyle
" Gertrude Muller
" Elizabeth Pohler
" Laura Pohler
" Irma Rich
" Mary Shreve
" Louise Tower

Class Three, Dr. W.D.Calvin,

Elma Dixon
Margery Bittenger
Helen [illegible] Caldwell
Olive Gauntt
Louise Gloekel
Florence Pickard
Marjorie Pickard
Carolyn Pressler
Bertha Krudop
Helen Lane
Katherine Shumann
Anna Schumann
Louise Trautman
Sara Trautman
Martha Tolan
Larene Travers
Grtrude Traxler
Gwendolen Traxler
Millie [illegible] Thompson
Katherine Wagenhals
Mrs David Vesey.

Dr. Maurice Lohman, Instructor.

Mrs. Goeriz,Charles.
" David Dalman
" Deatrick
" Willis Clayton
" Jacob Reiver
" Frank Gardner
" Herbert Evans
" A.L.E.Dixon
" Grant Garard
" Oscar L. Fox
" Miss Virginia Dalman

Miss Belle Baxter

Miss Martha Wilson

First Aid Classes-continued.

Dr. Carrie Banning Instructor,
Class One.
Mrs. Stella Phillips
" Al Stentz
" Wallace Bowker
" C.S.Kitch
" Ernest Crane
" Charles Whitney
" J.D.Banning
Miss Irene Malloy

Class Two.
Miss Grace Hogan
" Helen O'Rourke
Mrs.H.V.Blosser
" Herbert Allison
" Phil Dixon
" Ed Eward
" Walter Kent
" Walter Leonard
" W. Mac Millen
" Oscar Rhoades
" Will Pettit
" J.G.Schwarz
" George Van Arnam
" Herbert Voorhees

Dr. B.A.Barlow, Instructor,
Class One.
Mrs.Franklin B. Mead
" D.B.Ninde
" A.F.Hall
" J.A.Greene
" W.J.Vesey
" S.M.Foster
Miss Sadie Fleming
" Lavon Sperry
Class Two.(Fri.night,7:30)
Leota Anspach
Evelyn Bevington
Grace Byrer
Katherine Byrer
Lisle Cour
Edith Elliott
Grace Elliott
Dorothy Erwin
Irene Grimme
Lorene Gross
Helen Gerberding
Gertrude Hagan
Gertrude Helling

Class Two-continued
Borgia Lowry
Kathleen Rohan
Hazel Rowland
Alma Schurer
Ivy Schild
Margaret Snodgrass
Ina Wright
Della Yann
Helen Maguire
Alice O'Reilly

Class Three, (Tuesday, 5 p.m.)
Evelyn Barbier
Ella Barthel
Lilian Bradley
Beatrice Burleigh
Veronica Carter
Mamie Collins
Anna Hahn
Esther Hofer
Catherine Jackson
Ruth Lochner
Lilian Malott
Clara McDarby
Grace Mungen
A.H.O'Rourke
Margaret Paulsen
Mrs Ross Philley
Genevieve Pyle
Camilla Rousell
Winona Smith
Mert Stoner

Dr. Budd Van Sweringen, Instructor.
Mrs.Joseph Lohman
" William Griffin
" Austin Stults
" P.J.McDonald
" Gus Rabus
"A.N.Pickard
" Alice Crane Bond
" Eugene Olds
" W.K.Noble
" William Hahn
" Cecilia White
" W.W.Rockhill
Miss Margaret Smith
Miss Kate MacDougall

" HOSPITAL UNIT M".
(As officially recognized and designated)
FORT WAYNE RED CROSS CHAPTER.

Consisting of 12 physicians, 20 nurses, two orderlies, and two clerks. April 25, 1917.

THE MUSTER ROLL.

Physicians:
Dr. Miles F. Porter, sr., Major.
Surgeon Director;
" Allen Hamilton, Capt.,
Adjutant;
" John H. Gilpin, 1st Lieut.,
Surgeon, Anaesthesist;
" Charles G. Beall, Capt.,
Chief of Medical Staff;
" Garette Van Sweringen, 1st Lieut.,
Physician;
" Miles F. Porter, jr., 1st Lieut.,
Physician;
" Charles R. Dancer, Capt.,
Physician;
" Dean Metcalf, 1st Lieut.,
Surgeon;
" B.W.Rhamy, Capt.,
Surgeon-Pathologist;
" HO.Brueggeman, Capt.,
Chief of Surgical Staff;
B" B.M.Edlavitch, 1st Lieut.,
Bacteriologist-Physician;
" K.K.Wheelock, Capt.,
Surgeon.

(# Disqualified physically or by the age limt)

Nurses:

Elizabeth Springer, R.C.N.,
Chief;
Fern Alice Reidenbaugh
Leota J. Schilling
Frances Folsom Kayser
~~Lillie Garard~~
Lillie Garard
Inez A. Gross
Roxy Fife
Mabel Glock
Lillian M. Jenkins
Josephine Krick
Elsa Sperry
Bernice Dunten
May Ziller
Margaret Carney
Elsa Borman
Myra Carr
Mary McDonald
Ella Jones
Bessie Sewall
Laura Kreigh

Clerks:
Margaret Saylor
Mabel Wilkinson

Orderlies:
Lee J. Lauer
Charles J. Costner

HOSPITAL UNIT"M"--continued.

Following is a list of the subscriptions to the fund required to be raised by Hospital Unit "M", and received by Mrs.A.E. Fauve, and paid over by her to Mrs. Jessie C. Calvin, Chapter Secretary.:

John H. Bass	$250.00
S.F.Bowser	$250.00
G.E.Bursley & Co.,	$250.00
A.E.Bulson	$250.00
S.M.Foster	$250.00
Fisher Bros.,	$250.00
Charles MacDouhall	$250.00
Fort Wayne Electric Works	$250.00
Fort Wayne Printing Co	$250.00
Fort Wayne Corrugated Paper Co	$250.00
Hoffman Bros.,	$250.00
Hartford City Paper Co	$250.00
Phoebe A. Hamilton	$250.00
Eliza Hanna Hayden	$250.00
Home Telephone Co	$250.00
Lincoln Life Insurance Co	$250.00
Moellering Bros. and Millard	$250.00
Mossman-Yarnelle and Co	$250.00
W.K.Noble	$250.00
C.D.Porter	$250.00
A.H.Perfect	$250.00
Strauss Bros. and Co	$250.00
Wayne Knitting Mills	$250.00
Charles A. Wilding	$250.00
James M. Robinson	$100.00
Total	$6,100.00

Red Cross Dues up to date of first Annual Meeting, October 27, 1917, received by Mrs. A.E.Fauve, and paid over to Secretary, Dr. Jessie C. Calvin, in cluding outside county Branches:

9,632	Annual members	@ $1	$9,632.00
227	Subscribing Members	@ $2	$454.00
21	Contributing "	@ $5	$105.00
3	Sustaining "	@ $10	$30.00
1	Life Member	@ $25	$25.00
3	Members	@ $3	$9.00
9,887	"		$10,225.00

Donations and sale of books and buttons	$2,764.78
Fort Wayne Hospital Unit Fund	$6,100.00
Total	$19,119.78

THE FIRST INSTRUCTED CLASS IN CIVILIAN RELIEF,
(Known as the Chapter Course),
Five days in July, 1917, at the First Presbyterian Church. Committee on Arrangement of the Course:

O.E.Mohler
P.A.Thompson,
Minette Baum.

Program: June 17, Opening, at Masonic Temple(old); Speakers, Eugene C. Foster, Secretary Civilian Relief Committee at Indianapolis, and Judge John W. Eggeman of Fort Wayne; Music, arranged by Mrs. C.A.Horton. Lectures, beginning the following day, were delivered Morning, Afternoon and Evening until June 23rd. Included in the list of speakers were:

Eugene C. Foster
Alexander Johnson
Paul Kirby, Sec'y Children's Ass'n, Indpls.
R.J.Colbert, Director Bureau of Educ'. Research. (Lake Division Staff)
Rev. Hugh B. McCauley, 1st Presbyterian Supply.
Dr. Miles F. Porter, sr.
Dr.George S. Bliss, I.S.F.M.Y.
R.W.Himelick, Supt. Public Schools.
Mrs. C.E.Edmundson, Indiana University.

Registered for the Course: P.A.Thompson, F.W.Shockley, William Fruechtenicht, George T. Miller, W.H.Bender. Also,

Mesdames
Zurbuch,
W.A.VanKeuren,
Chas. Snowberger,
Ralph Magee,
B.Paul Mossman,
E.E.Emmons, Portland, Ind.
Lew G. Ellingham,
G.W.McCaskey,
Robert Harding,
Gaston Baihle,
Alice McCulloch,
P.A.Thompson,
Edward Close,
Viola Tucker.

The Misses
Louise Pixley
Winnie Callahan
Winnie E. Tracey
Mary Woodhull
Ada Burdett
Anna Bethner
Hilda Hughes(La Grange)
Margaret Smith
Mary K.Smeltzley
Mabel Carter
Helen Hackett(Huntertown)
Betty Teagarden
Helen Lane
Marjorie Pickard
Julia Flemion
Toba Baum
Minette Baum
Helen Thompson

Mrs. N.D.Doughman took the Civilian Relief course at Lima, Ohio

A Regional Conference on Home Service work was held in Fort Wayne February 7-8, 1919, planned by Lake Division to cover all new phases of Home Service which developed after the signing of the Armistice. Twelve counties were represented: Adams, Allen, DeKalb, Elkhart, Huntington, Kosciusko, LaGrange, Noble, Steuben, Wabash, Whitley and Wells. Fifty people registered, and the attendance was 199%. Great interest was manifested in the discussions which were led by Miss Virginia Wing, of the Educational Bureau of Research; Miss R. Welding, Field Worker, South Indiana; J.B.Riddle, a field worker, and Homer Wickenden, of the Bureau of after care. The Chamber of Commerce was HQs. Chas.M.Niezer presiding.

THE ROLL OF THE "R.C.N.

Local Committee on Red Cross Nursing Service, 1917:
Anna Lauman, Chairman.
Elizabeth Melville,
Frances Folsom Keyser (replaced by Miss Pittman)
Mabel Pittman
Elizabeth Springer
Lucy Lauman
Anna Hallman
Helen Palmer

In Overseas Service:
Esther R. Hanser
Ella A. Jones
Josephine Krick
Jessie Koontz
Lilian A. Jenkins
Roxy S. Fife
Bernice Dunten
Mabel Pittman
Mildred E. Lambert
Ellen Zirkle
Fern Alice Keidenbaugh
Mabel M. Glock
Inez A. Gross
Laura Kreigh
Eva Belle Reid
Ada M. Zeller
Leota J. Schilling
Nora Johansen
Martha Zalman
Mabel M. Bechtoldt
Frances Nicol
Louise M. Mohr
Mame Stegner
Elsa Sperry
Elsa Borman
Margaret Phillips Church
Sevilla Denninger
Emma Guenther
Louise M. Heinrich
Laura Hinderer
Ida Fleming
Alma Finke
Eda Bartling
Ida Marie Lichtsinn
*Grace E. Buell
Agnes Blumenkranz(Naval Nursing R.C.N.)

In Camp Service, U.S.A.
Ella M. Smith(Naval Hospital)
Bessie Sewall
Estella Lehman
* Patricia Irene Byron
Iva Lehman
Margaret Elizabeth Carney
Pauline M. Huser
Marie Richmeier
Eva Clemenshaw
Maude Hager
Clara Bohere
Clara Stamper
Edith Heiser
Martha Snyder
Golda Turley
Eva Kelly
Margaret Daniels
Violette [illegible] Wehrle
Mary Patton
Anna Zornig
Bessie Cottrell
Ruth Mutchler
Cora Habighorst
Nina Gross
Erna Lange
Tone Mallman
Frieda Auer
Emma Maddux
Mary Ruth Masterson
Emily Crist(Panama Canal Zone service)
Katharine Pollock
Oretta Hayes
Ethel Harsh
Eleanor Crosby
Margaret Campbell
Annette Clement
Maggaret Tystad

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* died in service, English port hospital.
*k Died in service, Camp Wacc, Texas.
(Mac Arthur)

Roll of the R.C.N. Continued

Jessie Rigby Bannister
Mary Agnes Fike
Maude E. Crawford
Margery Hall
Sarah Margaret Nash
Rose Teichman(Los Angeles)
(Not called to Service.
Volunteers):
Augusta A. Fisher
Elizabeth E Springer
Anna Lauman
Lucy Lauman
Helen Palmer
Frances M. Hellmer
Frances E. Steele
Ida Swenson
Alida Israel
Neola Moyer
Lulu Wolfrum
Frieda Fischer
Lottie B. Keller
Mary Denner
Anna Holtkamp
Nelle Saxman
Pauline Franz
Lulu Kestler
Sophia Kleinsmith
Clara Finger
Florence Conklin

Failed in Physical Examination:
Mary M. Bryan
Anna M. Holtman
Leola Richter
Marie Kaemline
Inez Slough
Golda Florence Smith.

Home Defense Reserves:
Lulu Dixon, (visiting nurse)
Besse Jeffrey
Lilian Huffman
Elizabeth Johnson(Hicksville)
(served in Flu epidemic)
Gertrude Barber, Anti-T.B.
Nurse.

Local Emergency Volun
teers:
Mrs. Vida McNair Bolman
" Leila Mann Dupre
" Ella Rogers Underwood
" Beatrice Sayle
" Hulda Loser Weimar

Volunteer Teachers of "Home
Care":
Mrs. Irene Mayer Elliston
" Irene Nichols Alexander
" Susan Williams Daniels
" Opal Roe Hunter
" Lydia A. Evers
" Louise (Greenwell) Coms-
Nelson
" Marie Hanks

Total number of nurses in
service from Fort Wayne District
83. Eligible Reserves, 21.
Total number of volunteers
for Army Service, 110.

WORK OF THE COMMITTEE OF FIFTEEN.
(On Instruction of Women)
Chairman, Mrs. A.L.Johns.

Members:
Mesdames H.L.Askew, George Beers, Jane Branson, Margaret P.Church, Ralph Clark, John P. Evans, G. Heine, Ben Lehman, Herman Mackwitz, P.J.McDonald, Will McKinnie, Will Rohan, Miss Mallie Johns, and Miss Elizabeth Melville.
Surgical Dressings Instructor, Miss Johnson.

Classes "A", "B", and "C".

"A", Morning Class
Mesdames
Harry L. Askew
George W. Beers
Jane Branson,
William Burger
Ralph Clark
Mary D. Edson
John P. Evans
G. Heine
Cora Hunter
A.L.Johns
Ben Lehman
Herman Mackwitz
P.J.McDonald
Georgia Meriwether
Ed Rieke,
A.H.Kemmel
Will Rohan
Misses
Mallie Johns
Plummer
Carrie Schrader
Wilhite

"B", Afternoon Class
Mesdames
H.O.Brueggeman
Gortner, (Goshen)
RalphMagee
W.K.Noble
W.W.Rockhill
Hal Rehren
F.E.Stouder
Lipes Thieme
Misses:
Helen Niblick, Decatur
Marie Connell
Sadie Fleming
Kate Mac Dougall

"C", Evening Class.
Mesdames:
Lilian Fash Russell
Harriet Heffern
Harry Arnold
Fannie Baughman
Belle Howard
Corinne Reans
Misses:
Loraine Spear
Nora Rehnen
Clara Albrecht
Lulu Hussey
Mabel Savage(Mrs.)
Elizabeth Harkenrider
Maybelle Dowell
Mary Ross
Florence Kemp-Howe (Mrs)
Myrtle Kemp
Blanche Bowman
Mae Baer
Lena Stein
Jessie Rousseau

Advanced Class/in Surgical Dressings, taught by Mrs. Doran, Of Muncie.
Northern Indiana Warehouse Class,
August to Aug. 1917.
Mesdames:
F.E.Stouder
A.E.Fauve
Ed Rieke
William Burger
Florence Kemp-Howe
Mc Namee, Wabash)
Gortner, Goshen
Felter(Huntington)
Misses:
Marie Connell, Decatur
Lilian Bowers, Huntington
Helen Niblick, Decatur
Katherine Metzger

Advanced Classes-continued.

Chapter House Class
October 10, to 15, 1917.
Mesdames:
John P. Evans
Herman Mackwitz
Walter Barrett
Hal Rehrer
Charles Stockbridge
G. Heine
R.O.Grosjean
Charles Rabus
Arthur H. Remmel
Ralph Clark
N.D.Daughman
Jane Branson,
A.L.Johns
W.K.Noble
Misses:
Elizabeth Harkenrider
Carrie Schroeder
Mllie Johns
Kate Hamilton
Winnifred Callahan.

At the Chapter House
Mrs.John P. Evans, Instructor.
Misses:
Irma Hutzell
Margaret Saylor
Mabel Crosby
Maude Gaskins
Carolyn Pressler
Laura Scheffer

At the Chapter House,
Mrs. Johns and Mrs.Heinie,
Instructors.
Mesdames:
George Evans
K.K.Wheelock
Martin Luecke
John E. Ross
Gus Meyer
E.M.Savercool
Misses:
Mary Evans,
Anna Lowry
Ethel Marriott

At Auburn , Indiana.
Mrs.John P. Evans and Mrs Ralph
Clark, Instructors.
Mrs Harry Bloom, Waterloo.
Local Supervisor.
Mesdames:
Mary M. Brown, Waterloo
A.L.Mundy "
C.R.Price St. Joe.
A.L.Murray, Auburn
E.O.Little, "
E.C.Frick, "
D.W.Beidler " Local Supervisor
Dan M. Rink, "
L.H.Ten Eyck "
W.N.Dennison "
H.O.Williams "
R.B.Hutchinson "
Miss Faith Hines Auburn.

Total Number of Teachers Prepared:
50

Available as Teachers, 40

Total Number Who Taught Classes
35.

Organization of Teaching Force in Surgical Dressings, at Chapter House.

First Team, May, 1917.
Mrs A.L Johns, Chairman
Mrs. E.J.Rieke, Inspector
Mrs J.R.Merriwether, Inspector

Second Team, June and July, 1917.
Mrs A.L.Johns, and
Mrs Harry Askew,
Instructors and Inspectors.

Third Team, July and September, 1917.
Mrs. A.L.Johns, Chairman.
Mrs. W.K.Noble, Inspector
Mrs W.W.Rockhill, Assistant.

RE-ORGANIZATION, November, 1917.
Mrs Wm K. Noble, Department Chairman.
Miss Sadie Fleming, vice Chairman
Mrs. W.W.Rockhill, Inspector.
Assistants:
Mesdames
E.H.Olds
Fred Smith
Frank Smock
Noble G. Olds
E.A.Barnes
G.A.Rabus
Austin Stults
Harry Perfect
Charles Niezer
William Griffin
James B. White
Edwin J. Fisher

Surgical Stockroom Keeper and Accountant, Ada G. Pickard.

Instructors in new Surgical Dressings
Mrs. W.K.Noble and Miss Mallie Johns.

Surgical Dressings, Cutting Tables,
Mesdames Walter Barrett.
Frank Taft
Albert Bond
Ben Heaton
Jules Simon
Eugene Olds

Department of Instruction,
Mrs. John P. Evans, Chairman.
Class "A", Certified.
Mesdames
J.P.Evans
W.W.Rockhill
A.L.Johns
W.K.Noble
H.O.Brueggeman
Mary D. Edson
Ralph Clark,
P.J.McDonald
F.G.Heine
Jane Branson
Hal Rehrer
A.H.Remmel
F.E.Stouder
Will Rohan
George Beers
Misses
Mallie Johns
Sadie Fleming
Katherine Hamilton
Winifred Callahan
Elizabeth Markenrider
Katherine Metzger
Carrie Schroeder
~~Class "B"~~, Supervisors.
Mesdames
N.D.Doughman
Charles Rabus
George Evans
Charles Stockbridge
R.O.Grosjean
R. Spaid
Henry Beadell
Walter Barrett
Frank A. Shockey
E.V.Haigh
T.J.Hindman
D.W.Werremeyer
E.M.Saverecol
Floy Vandergrift
K.K.Wheelock
Misses
Mary Evans
Francess Ott
Myrtle Kemp
Esther Fox
Nora Rehnen
Bessie Redmond
Anna Lowry
Ethel Harriott.

Organization of Teaching Force-continued.

Mrs. Martin Luecke
" John E. Ross
" Wm K. Vandegrift
Miss Irma Hutzell
" Margaret Saylor
" Mable Crosby
" Maude Gaskins
" Carolyn Pressler
" Laura Shiffer
Muslin Bandage Department.
Mrs. Chas. Storbridge, Chmn. Mrs. Edward Lonyion, Asst.
"Mrs. H.O.Dermody
" Frank Baker
" Carl Rurode
" Forest Beyer
"Ben Levy
" Sam'l Foster
Miss Katherinee Jay.

Muslin "Branches" Bandage
"Branches"
South Side Service Club.
Altrusa Club
Business Girls' League
Busy Bee Club
Batteries B.& D. Mothers
Ben Hur Ladies Auxiliary
Bethany Presbyterian Ladies.
Baptist Ladies' Society
Current Literature Club
W.Creighton Ave. Ch. of Christ.
Crescent Ave., Social Circle
Colored Baptist Society
Westminster Church,2 Sections
Dywyki Club
"Get Acquainted" Circle,of Trinity Eng. Luth. Ch.
Elex Club
Young Ladies of Emanuel Luth,Ch.
Bible Class of " " "
Trinity Episc.Guild, 12 Teams
Emmaus Luth. Ch. Society
Third Presb. Ch. Society, in teams
Florida Drive Neighborhood.
Ladies Aid Friendship Club.
Frances Willard Club
First. Presb. Ch. Guild
Upper Huntington Rd.Society
High School Circle(Mrs Edson).
Hyacinth Lodge
Harmar School Society
Jefferson Twp.School
South Wayne Parent-Teacher Cl.
Hoagland School P-T Club
Rebecca Lodge (IOOF)
I.N.W. Neighborhood Club
Jewish Temple Club
Junior Red Cross
Lutheran Hospital Nurses
Cathedral Rosary Society
Precious Blood Society
St Patrick's Red Cross Circle
Plymouth Church Society
St John's Luth Miss'y Society
" " Reformed Ch. Society
" " " Ladies' Aid
Sections 3 and 6, 3rd Pres. Ch.
Young Ladies' Society 3rd Pres.
Wayne St. Methodist Society
Perfection Biscuit Company Girls
Research Club
Salem Reformed Church
Sand Point Society
St Peter's Red Cross Circle
South Side Literary Society
Sorosis Club
South Side Tel.Exchange
South Side Current Events Club
Twentieth Century Club
Thursday Knitting Club
Hook,Needle and Shuttle Club
Wayne Knit Club
Y.W.C.A. House Girls
Office Girls, W.K.Noble & Co.
Miss Christine Walda.

CLUBS WORKING IN SURGICAL DRESSINGS:

Woman's Reading Club
Friday Bridge Club
Duodecimo Club
Jewish Women's Society
St Patrick's School Girls
F.W.H.S. Girls
Wolf and Dessauer Girls
Tepper Bros. Girls
Rurode Co. Girls
Central Tel. Girls
South Side Tel Girls
Boss Mfg.Co. Girls

Branch Chapters in Mus.Bandages
The Poe Club, Harlan Club, Sheldon Club, Woodburn Club, and New Haven Club, -all in Allen County.

Personnel of Hospital Garment Department:

Chairman, Mrs.Clarence Shhoo, succeeded by Mrs. Allen Hamilton. Assistants, Miss Georgianna Bond and Mrs. Fred Hoffman.

Chairman of Cutting, Mrs. Frank Taft. Assistants, Mrs. Stranahan and Mrs Frank Bond.

Chairman of Assembling, Mrs J.M.Kuhns, Assistants, Miss Helen O'Rourke, and Mrs Charles B. Hughes.

Committee:

Mesdames:

J.M.Landenberger
Fred Landenberger
Clarence Cook
Pauline Paul
L.Park Drayer
Hazel Gardner
Albert Bond
G.D.Williston
James Meriwether
Guy Scott
Chadwick
Orrick
E.T.Williams
P'Ryan
Stahl
Turner
Olds
Lohman
Hattersley
Charles Lang
Hoffman
Freiburger
Krauss
F.M.Price
E.W.Puckett
H.M.Quicksell
George Trenam
Miss Hogan

Meyers
James Barrett
Henry Beadell
Beers (Geo.)
Frank Bond
H.J.Bowerfind
Lawrence Eberbach
Arthur Smith
Ben Levy
H.G.Hogan
Sámon
Fee
Heit
Foster
Theodore Frank
S.W.Greenland
Gumpper
Randall
McCaskey
P.J.McDonald
B.P.Mossman
S.E.Mulholland
C.M.Niezer
Potter
Rabus

Miss Claudia Donnelly
Miss McCracken

Chairman of Distributing, Edith Monahan. Assistant, Harriet Fowler.

Committee:

Mesdames:

Frank Cutshall
Ben Heaton
Robert Harding
Frank Sale
Clarence Cook
Mont Beaver
J.J.Kline
Alex White
Claude Bowers
Anne Armistead
Herbert Lang
J.G.Schwarz
Groves
Baird
Milligan
Bridges
Gillette
Rauch
Frank Bond
Keegan
Wolfrum
Keller
Fred Shoaff.

Misses:

Ruth Levy
Margaret Fisher
Columbia Romberg
Germaine Romberg
Ada Burdett
Ruth Heyman
Celia Foley
Margaret Colmey
Ola Marks.

Sewing Room. Gen'l Chmn., Mrs.C.B.Bryson.

Assistants:

Mrs Mary Quicksell
" Stranahan
"Pietz
" Ducat
" Frank Fox
"Rauch
" Zuyder
" Thompson
"Freese
Miss Larimer.

Circle Visitor,
Mrs.J.W.Thompson.

THE RED CROSS CIRCLES.

Red Cross Circle of the James H. Smart P-T Club, Dec. 1917 to the Close. Chairman, Mrs A.J.Gruber. Working Members:

Mesdames R. Gunther
H.Cline
Schoepke
T. Connell
P. Blackburn
Rice
H. Tourgee
Bash
William Schafer
F Krider
F Kanaga
Welch
A.D.Carrington
H. Ertel
Heider
F.J.Borkenstein
William Toll
F. Mills
J. Berlien
J. Wagner
L. Fonner
F Gassert
A D. Carriger
O.G.Schell
Frysinger
W.McGrath

South Side Circle of the Red Cross, Organized Feb. 1918. Mrs X.J.Divens, Secretary. Members, Mesdames

Otto Peters
Walter Wolf
B. Sites
Keller
Laubenstein
Graham
A. Betz
P.H.Goda
Elders
J.Young
Titsworth
HFelts
J.E.Felts
E. Rolf
O.D.Prine
Cornish
H.W.Niswonger
Frank Cunnison
Neuenschwander
H. Bieberick
V. Blough
F Baker
Hatfield
Cook
Mennewisch
G. Koegel
F. Wolf
Sessler
Pape
Frame
Griebel
Martin
Dimmick
Misses Malley,
Kirkhoff and Lehr .

June 14, 1918, and Ice Cream Social netted $250. for Red Cross.
September , 1918, a refreshment booth at the Liberty Gardens Fair netted $210. for the Red Cross.

Milan Township Circle, organized June 14, 1918, Mrs. Wm. Bruick, Chairman. Members:

Mrs. D. Lampe
" H. Rahrman
" L. Stellhorn
" J. Burchart
" J. Poepple
" E. Poepple
" H. Schaffer
Mrs. H. Hemsoth
" G. Brueggeman
" W. Tilbury
" F. Schaffer
" H. Neiter.

Two meetings held; Ten shirts Made; Work stopped by Influenza Epidemic.

Red Cross Circles--continued.

Harmar School Circle,
Laurinda Devilbiss, Captain.
First M.E.Church Women, organized May, 1917.
Mrs. Charles Nelson
" A. D.Zuber
" Fred Todd
" Gust Ramsey
" Archie Bliss
" Charles Parham
" E.B.Robinson
" C.C. Schlatter
" John Neufer
" S.D.Bitler
" Mary Berner
" Ora Scheafer
" W.A.Hazen
" A.L.Schneider
(Home work only):
B Thomas Devilbiss
B O.J.Bowser
" Alex Bowser
Miss Bess Devilbiss

Church of the Precious Blood
Mrs. R.E.Kelly, Circle Chairman.
Mrs. Brossard
" H.Strodel
" Fenton
" Huber
" M.J.O'Brien
"Roeger
" Crouse
" L.Staff
" Hilker
" C.Michael
" Strebig
" Bushman
" Wm Brossard
" P.Minnich
" Stock
" E.Simonton
" Groman

Machines donated by
Mrs. Fenton
" Kochs
" Pomeroy
" Cupery
" Stein
" Brossard
" Michaels
Knitters:
Mrs. Shropp
" Rohrer
Miss Sheridan

The "Little Circle", organized July, 1917, "worked until there was no more to do", at Refugee Sewing.
Mrs. George Ehelberg
" Charles Haberkorn
" Ollie Frikey
" William Spiegel
" Charles Schild

Concordia Church Circle.
Captains, Mrs. F. Lange and Mrs. W. Thompson.
Mrs. J.C.Bauer
" M. Bleke
" F. Dammeyer
" F. Facks
"F. Fruechtenicht
" C. Frosh
" G. Gerke
" M. Holman
" H. Lahmeyer
" H. Lange
" H. Mayer
" F. Meyer
" C. Moellering
" S. Neuenschwander
" L. Oetting
" E. Schroeder
" H. Trier
" C. Poehler
Miss L. Gerke.
Three meetings held, and 36 Bathrobes and 18 Bedshirts finished.

Trinity Episcopal Church Guild, organized for Red Cross Sewing, May, 1917, into Twelve Sewing teams:
Team #1, Mrs. Thomas Potter, Captain.
Mrs. C. Clause
" Edmund Coombs
" D.W.Bolt
" W.W.Insley
" Walter Massey
Miss Georgianna Bond.
Team #2, Mrs W.S.Morris Captain.
Mrs. Andrew Archer
" F.B.Mead
" Charles Puddy
Miss Frances Haberly
Team #3, Mrs. L.P.Drayer, Captain.
Mrs. George Siebold
" Albert Tomkinson
B F.H.Whitney
" D.B.Stall
Team # 4, Mrs. Dan Kink, Captain.
Mrs. A.L.Randall
" Calvin Rieman
" Archie Spice
" W.A.Stout
" Sam R. Taylor

Red Cross Circles--continued.

Team #5, Mrs. C.E.Bond, Captain.
Mrs. J.M.Barrett
" W.A.Barrett
" W.R.Kilgore
" Kenneth Larwill
" F.H.Lewis
" Elizabeth Lowe
" Frank Sale
Miss Mary Gaskins

Team # 6, Mrs. E.T. Wood, Captain.
Mrs. B.F.Wheeler
" Edward White
" E.W.Averill
" C.W.Bell
" Clarence Cook

Team #7, Mrs. W.O. McBride, Captain.
Mrs. Rowland Bishop
" J.S.Farrell
" R.B.Wheeler
Miss Georgina Wadge

Team # 8, Mrs. Herbert Evans, Captain.
Mrs. L.B.Boulton
" Schlosser
" J.B.Crankshaw
Mrs. W.H.Fritz

Team # 9, Anne Ward, Captain.
Mrs. Caroline Howard,
" G.B.Leslie
" Donald McDonald
" G.H.Moeller
" S.L.Morris
" P.G.Olds
" Degroff Nelson
" W.L.Pettit
" B.W.Rhamy
" Ulrich
" W.G.Kaiser
" Ed Fisher
" Harry Metzger
Miss Mary Hanna

Team # 10, Mrs. George Trenam, Captain.
Mrs. Lyman T. Rawles
" W.F.Sabin
Miss Leona Wilkins.

Team # 11, Mrs. H.C.Durnell, Captain.
Mrs. Ted Erick
" G.W.Gardner
" W.A.Geiger
" Charles Rabus
" W.W.Shryock

Team # 12, Mrs Thomas Clark, Captain.
Mrs. Eliza Hanna Elliott
" Searles.

(Teams and workers reported later).

Worker	Team.
Mrs. M.T.Connett	8
" H.W.Morris	10
" A.H.Seibt	"
" W.A.Ross	"
" Davis	"
Miss Hilda Davis	"
Mrs. Thomas Davis	"
Miss Ellen Davis	"
Miss Gertrude Davis	"
Mrs. Arthur Bishop	"
" M.J.Clear	"
" W.W.Insley	"
" W.C.Geake	"
" Charles Gruber	"
Miss Abbie Chase	2
Mrs. James Rogers	"
" E.J.Christman	"
" M.G.Flagle	"
" Thomas Hart	"
" E.R.Lewis	"
" H.J.Lynn	"
" F.K.Safford	3
" Carl Schroeder	"
" Amanda Shaw	"
" K.K.Wheelock	"
" Thomas Lucas	4
" Melinda Spurrier	"
Miss Sue Strong	"
" Mary Morris	5
Mrs. H.J.Grosvenor	"
" F.P.Barker	6
" Jennie Spice	7
" William Vollmer	"
" W.G.Beman	"
" Koester	"

Red Cross Circles--continued.

St John's Reformed Church, Ladies Aid Society, Organized July 1917, Mrs. John Rohlman, leader in 1917; Mrs. Fred Stolte, leader in 1918.

Workers:
Margaret Stolte
Emma Rohlman
Margaret Gable
Louise Schwarz
Emma Altekruse
Sophia Ulenkake
Sophia Siebold
Anna Bashelier
Caroline Bremer
Wilhelmina Heisler
Margaret Hessert
Dinah Moeller
Emma Heller
Lisette Meyer
Sophia Klebe
Flora Zollinger
Elizabeth Fruchte
Sophia Peters
Maria Zollinger
Lisetta Bloemker
Sophia Daseler
Minnie Baerbaum
Maria Peters
Minnie Sauerwein
Amelia Altekruse
Emma Driftmeyer
Lisetta Jautz
Caroline Schwier
Sarah Kirsch
Matilda Menebreker
Emma Kohlmerton
Sophia Bueker
Elizabeth Schuster
Maria Doermer
Bertha Altevogt
Wlihelmina Jasper
Minnie Lauman
Clara Davis
Sophia Pfeiff
Mrs. Garbert
Elizabeth Soest
Matilda Stolte Philley

Cash Donations:
Katharina Peters
Kate Peters
Verna Peckman
Maria Rohland
Total $5.

Red Crosses in recognition of 32 hours' work, awarded to:
Louise Scharz, Emma Altekruse, Caroline Bremer, Sophia Ulenhake, Margaret Gable, Wilhelmina Heisler, Sophia Siebold, Matilda Stolte Philley.
To Mrs. F.W. Stolte, two crosses and a bar.

A comforter donated to the Red Cross Auction, netted $5.75.

The "K.N.T." Club.

Mrs. G.W. Nesbitt, Chairman.
Miss Goldie Nesbitt
" Ruby Nesbitt
MR. G.W. Nesbitt
GRANDMA HURSH
Miss Helen Karns
" Rose Till
"Loretta Till
" Flora Till
" Agnes Till
Mrs. Joseph Till
" Joseph Tonkel
" J.S. Porter
" David Shoaff
" C.C. Pichon
" G.W. Henderson
" Pearl Ream
" Ury Murphy
" J.F. Barve
" Homer B'ume
" Charles Blume
" Atlee Ream
" Joseph Banet
" E.J. Cutter
" Jacob Popp
" J. Farra
" L. Campbell
" S.G. Fulkerson
" Frank Current
" J. Steinbacher
" Virgil Blume
" Guiff
" Clarence Martin

Knitters:
Miss Anna Cook
Miss Ramona Barve
" Gladys Haversbock
" Marie Popp
" Edna Banet
" Edith Beyers
" Edna Ream
" Loretta Genth
" Bertha Pichon
" Alice Steinbacher

Red Cross Circles--continued.

"Crescent " Chapter,
W.C.T.U., Mrs. D.A.
Christopher, Chmn.
Mrs. H.L.Jamieson
" A.Benner
" Charles Puddy
" Emil Burry
" Lathouse
" White
" Stilwell
" Frank Evans
" Charles Bonham
" O.P.Parker
" Bert Hollopeter
" W.J.Maxwell
" A.A.Brandon
" M. Costello
" Charle
" A.H.Witte
" Kathryn Bolen
" J.L.Roussey
" J.B.Bozer
" Dave Myers
" Dewey
" L.M.Anderson
" Fred Cheneour
" A.L.Campbell
" Olive B. Egly
" Olen Garwood
" A.B.Houck
" H.E.Eberhart
" Call
" W. Dugley
" Martha McFerren
" Lew Dehaven
Miss Brennan.

"Brystal Chapter,
W.C.T.U., Mrs. Effie Russell,
Chmn. (met at James H.
Smart School every Tuesday
for nine months)
Mrs. Tillie Hostetter
" Ethel Grodrian
" Maud Cryderman
" Jane Houk
" Carrie Smallbeck
" Rosa Kellogg
" Jennie Downing
" Chlora Bley
" Rachel Grodrian
" Lydia Loring
" Jessie Gordon
" Bertha Grodrian
Mrs. Catherine Campbell
" F. Bowser
" Viola Monroe
" Emma Stout
" Mary Bair
" Celia Shultz

Holton Park Chapter, W.C.T.U.
Mrs. Theo. Michel, Chmn.
" R.R. Ferguson
" Clayton Ellenwood
" R.W.Pierson
" T. Brunner
" G. Lehman
" E.J.Velvick
" F.W.Mengie
" J.J.Ringenberg
" J.O.Bowser
" C.F.Koops
" Barrett
" J.W.McCann
" McCoy
" Lee
" Robson

Rudisill School Sewing Unit,
Mrs. Alma Guillaume, In structor.
(This unit worked two days each
week from September, 1917, to Nw
November, 1918).
Mrs. Frank Schlebecker
" Adams
" Cromwell
" Brown
" Wolford
" D. Schlatter
" A. Piepenbrink
" J. Hartman
" Youse
" Frank King
" J. Schilds
" W.Burke
" F. Gaylord
" Brewer
" A.H.Meyer
" Steve Ducat
" Harden
" M. Roselot
" C. Storkman
" Reiter
" L. Pequignot
" C. Langley
" A. Flinn
" J.B.Reuss
" H. Conrad.
Miss F. F. Martin.

Red Cross Circles-Kcontânued.

Mothers of Batteries B and D,
(Meetings at Gates')
Mesdames L.M.Thompson and Engelking, Instructors.
Mesdames:
J. Kress
E.D.Addington
Mary Conan
W.F.Herber
Paul Tustison
Charles Withers
T.J.Conway
Cora Jackson
H.F.Bowers
Frank Eme
C.W. Freese
Moon
B.B.Slentz
Bentley
Rodeheaver
Tripp
Miller
Fuller
Maxson
Fuchter
Carl Dunfee
George Waldo
J. Lindeman
Homer Hartman
R.W.Thompson
Rohrbaugh
Kentner
Swanson
Trason
Wineland
Schwartz
Meade ~~Porter~~
Porter
Ronemaker
Banks
Frazier
Wilkening
L. Lamson
Elder, President.

" The Advent Ladies' Aid"
Mesdames:
Arthur Bohn,
Mann
Toomey
Milligan
Thompson
Vera Griffith
Elma Wegman
Winnie Hosford
G.S.Smith
Allen, Chmn.
Miss Leah Troup.

Aid Society, Church of God.
Mrs. Chas Harvey, Chmn.
" Dull
" Scott
" Keplinger
" Weaver
" Jackson
" Crowell
" Ludig
" Beltz
" Pence
" Harber

"Westfields" Circle.

Mrs. Elizabeth Welsheimer
Nina Welsheimer
Bessie Jackson
Mrs. Jackson
" Hoover
" Bissinger
" Rush Ziegler
" Inez Zeigler
" Applegate
" Birdwell
" Banks
" Hughes
" Miller

"Pontiac" Circle. Org. Jan. 1918.
Mesdames:
M. G. Neher
J. Scaab
Reihling
M.F.Kramer
Beckman
M. Lill
E. Rehm
A. Walker
Wessel
M. Franke
M. Kinder
W. Rohyans
J.E.English
Trentman
Allgeier
Miss M. Lauer.

Red Cross Circles,--continued.

" South Wayne" Circle.
Mrs. E.O.Emrick, President.
Mesdames:
Arthur Tomkineen
Frank Stranahan
Fowler
Waterman
Hilgren
Ludwig
Buist
Washburn
Huesner
Meyer
Frank Hilgeman
Wm Grover
Gus Emrick
Walter "eimer
L. Nickerson
John Offner
Rose Hershey
Wilbert Ross
Cyrus Paul
Chester Griffith
Rose Shearer
Elda Gould
George Sites, jr.
Hunt
Sullivan
Otho Brumm
I. Burnheimer
Joe Tomkinson
Amanda Wickliffe
Rodabaugh
Bert Brown
Alva Leckner
Frank Moore
George Holsworth
Frank Jackson
Misses:
Brumbaugh
Agnes Sites
Mary Moore
Esther Nickerson
Essie Zangerle.
(Organized May 1, 1917, worked until end.)
Garments made: 4000.
Red Cross Social, made $100., Aug. 17, 1917.
Lumber given to Red Cross Auction, $20. Co-operated with Dinnen Ave. Curcle at Liberty Gardens Fair, and made $237. Gave six comforters to Red Cross Auction, also several embroidered pieces.

Illinois Road Red Cross.
(organized May 3, 1918.
Mrs. Covell, Chmn.
Mesdames:
Jackson
Lawrence
Criswell
George Snyder
Somers
Wilkie
Zeimer
Ahr ~~Behrman~~
Behrman
Kramer(dec.)
Pfeiffer
Ecenbarger
Harry Barthold
Holderman
Betz
Ihrig
Groves
Moser
Furney
Deuter
Rapp
Workinger
Banks
Van Alstine
Snyder
Miss Mary Reckeweg, secretary.
Martha Snyder
Viola Thomas
Lavilla Thomas
Last meeting, August, 1918.
Garments completed, 84.

Victrola Record Campaign, October, 1918. Committee:
Mesdames:
H.J.Bowerfind
J.J.Kline
Charles A. Wilding
Sam Fisher
Martin Luecke
Frank Bohn
Hugh Keegan
Charles Niezer

Lutheran League Auxiliary. Young Women Knitters, Organized July 1918; Membership, 351; Monthly dues, 25 cents; Completed, 567 pairs of socks, and 205 pairs of wristlets; Offering at special meeting in Concordia Gym, $130.00

Knitters:

Aumann, Velma
Atz, Bora
Axt, Bertha
" Hilda
Albrecht, Maude
" Matilda
" Bertha
" Clara
" Mrs. W.
Breimeyer, Helen
" Julia
" Bertha
" Alma
Bender, Hedwig
" Eleanor
Bengs, Anna
Bickness, Mary
Bieberich, Elvina
Bieke, Della
Bock, Lorene
" Alma
Bruns, Luella
Buck, Della
" L.
Buuck, Hannah
" Lorena
" Millie
Burkhardt, Clara
Busse, Charlotte
Blombach, Norma
Benhoff. Elsie
Bodeker, Lillian
Bohlings, Mary
Brandt, Helen
" Dora
Borchert, Meta
Baade, Corinna
Brauntmeyer, Clara
Bartels, Bertha
Blyth, Mrs Tille
Bohne, Edna
Busch, Estella
Busse, Minnie
Bullerman, Myra
Bultemeier, Emma
Burg, Louise
Busching, Mrs.
Busching, Mary
" Frieda
" Bertha
Braun, Louise
Case, Ruth
Crummet, Esther
Dannenfelser, Erma
Detzer, Charlotte
Dickmeyer, Ida
Dobler, Velma
Doehla, Edith
Dryer, Frieda
Dickmeyer, Eleanore
Erb, Lydia
Eicks, Marian
Engelking, Mrs.
Foerster, Anna
" Louise
" Elizabeth
Franke, L.
" Wilma
" Laura
Freese, Esther
Felger, Harriet
Helmke, Clara
" Alma
Helberg, Emma
Hegerfeld, Elsie
Heine, Lydia
" Helen
" Anna
" Clara
Hattendorf, Helen
Hanser, Syna
Haages, Dorothy
Hitzeman, Margaret
Homeyer, Flora
Huesner, Sophia
" Mary
" Louise
Hagemann, Hilda
Heuer, Bertha
Honeick, Gertrude
Hildebrand, Mildred
Hollman, Della
" Mary
Holle, Lona
Hoerner, Mrs. George
Hoeltje, Esther
Hockmeyer, L.
" Gertrude
Homeier, Luella
" Louise
" Elenora
Hoppe, Hannah
Hitzeman, Mrs. M.
Hambrock, Lillian
Freese, Lydia
Fuchshuber, E.
" Milma
Gale, Doretta
Goeglein, Laura
Gehle, Clara
Gerberding, Alma
Grueb, Hilda
Gross, Augusta
" Loraine
" Gertrude
Glissman, Edna
" Frieda
Grote, Ella
Gerke, Mrs.
" Flora
" Adelia
Grenzanbach, Adelia
Gallmeier, Clara
Grieser, Edna
Gebhard, Hilda
Herddrhorst, Elsie
Helbig, EDith
" Ruth
Junge, Hulda
" Mildred
Kramer, Elsie
Kaiser, Emilia
Kiel, Helen
Koenig, Alma
" Clara
" Luella
Korte, Evelyn
" Hilda
Krauhs, Cornelia
" Helen
" Emma
Krennine, Minnie

Red Cross Circles-continued.

Krudop, Frieda
" Pauline
" Marie
Koenig, Emma
Kammeier, Edna
Kaiser, Alma
" Marie
" Louise
" Elfrieda
Kayser, Hulda
Konow, Lydia
Koop, Anna M.
" Christina
Kramer, Clara
" Louise
Kuemmer, Elsie
Kampe, Frieda
Kase, Lee
Koegel, Bernice
Koethe, Gertrude
Keller, Emma
Lahmeyer, Helen
Krimmel, Emma
Lange, Verna
Leidolf, Lulu
Lichtsinn, Frieda
Limecooley, Margaret
Linnemeier, Esther
" Hilda
" Edna
" Erma
Lochner, Ruth
Lotz, Anna
Luehr, Clara
Lepper, Irene,
" Vera
" Louise
" Esther
" Emma
Luesenhop, Anna
Lohse, Helen
Locher, Louise
Moellering, Flora
" Clara
Moell, Louise
Miller, Elsie
" Martine
" Ada
" Clara
" Alma
" L.
Meyer, Elsie
Manth, Esther

Michel. Anita
Meyer, Ruth
" Sophie
" Mrs. Paul
" Ida
" Dorothy
" Bertha
" Emilia
" Clara
" Alma
" Louise
" Otilie
" Minnie
" Olga
" Catherine
" "
" Lena
" Elenora
Meier, Eleanor
Metting, Emma
Mueller, Amelia
Marhenke, Nora
" Ella
Martin, Louise
Moellering, Louise
Mesing, Elsie
Mesing, Clara
Niemeyer, Bertha
Nieter, Edna
" Alma
Nuoffer, Hilda
Oberwitte, Amelie
Paul, Hulda
" Edna
Pape, Hulda
Pfeiffer, Marie
Piepenbrink, Clara
Pence, Bertha
Ranke, Lydia
Rathert, Martha
Ranke, Adelia
Reinking, Mrs.
Reichart, Mrs.
Reincke, Marie
" Lena
Reinewald, Mrs Rudy
Reese, Elfrieda
Ropa, Mamie
" Nettie
Rodenbeck, Martha
Roesner, Ada
Rippe, Augusta
"

Rippe, Florence
" Gertrude
" Margaret
" Bertha
Gesina
Rodenbeck, Louise
Rodenberg, Minnie
Scherer, Helma
" Alma
Sauer, Mary
" Anna
Schmeling, M.
Scherer, Luella
Schroeder, Clara
" Hedwig
" Carrie
Spittler, Lena
" Marie
Schmidt, Blonda
" Millie
" Frieda
" Inez
" F.W.
" Elsie
Stegner, Alfrieda
Stein, Frieda
Seemeyer, Bertha
Schnidt, Elizabeth
Starke, Mrs. Theo.
Schneider, Eleanor
" Mary
" Lillie
Scherzinger, Kate
" Marie
Scheuman, Mrs F.W.
" Elenora
Schwehn, Wilma
Seele, Clara
" Hilda
Scheimann, Myrtle
" Edith
Selle, Minnie
Schwartz, Sophie
Simminger, Elsie
Spiegel, Lillian
Sprandel, Esther
Strassburg, Margaret
Schnorr, Bertha
Schwier, Clara
Stoppenhagen, Anna
B" Charlotte
Schoenfeld, Wilma

Red Cross Circles,--continued.

Tagtmeyer, Carrie
Thomas, Ruth
" Ella
Tilker, Hulda
Trarbach, Hulda
" Esther
Trautman, Delta
Trier, Frieda
Troeger, Elsie
" Etta
" Emma
" Carolina
Umbach, Hilda
Ulmer, Esther
" Elsie

Van Horn, Lulu
" Clara
Vogelgesang, Christine
" Bertha
Van Dissen, Velma
Walda, Mrs.
" Nora
" Bertha
Walper, Emma
" Tresa
Wolf, Amy
" Ruth
Wolke, Helen
Westerman, Ella
Wietfeldt, Adelia

Wietfeldt, Edna
" Florence
Westerman, Lydia
Wehling, Della
Weseloh, Hilda
Witte, Zella
" Louise
" Minnie
" Rose
" Mrs.
Zucker, Gertrude
*Krimmel, Emma
* Meyer, Ellenora,
*, Leaders.

THE BRANCHES.
(Fort Wayne Chapter, A. R. C.)X

ARCOLA,

Mrs. W.E.Pillars, Chmn.
" J.Earl Rummel, Sec'y
" I.P.Bair
" M.E.Bellamy
" O.Bird
" Emma Brand
" J.D.Butt
" Ben Clark
" E.M.Cook
" J.H.Demoney
" F. Eme
" M. Gorman
" Glock
" Susan Ellsworth
" M. Kinder
" C. Kinder
" A.Larimore
" Roscoe Leonard
" E. Miller
" Homer More
" M.J.Maley
" Daisy Miller
" Milo Leonard
" Clyde Miller
" O'Grady
" Charles Pease
" Reehling
" Richardson
" William Rapp
" Joseph V. Rockhill
" E.C.Ruby
" Swihart
" J.M.Stouder
" Anna Trahin
" Van Hook
" W. Welsheimer
" C. White
" J. White
" F.A.Rockhill
Miss Molly Rockhill
" Agnes Diebold
" F.Oser
" R. Prill
" E. Gorman
" M. Felger

Articles made, 318. Socks Knit, 43 Pairs.

HUNTERTOWN,

Mrs. Wm Babcock, Chmn.
Miss Ruth Hieber, Sec'y.
Mrs. Mary Ballou
" E. Dunten
" Jennie Greenwell
" Harvey Fitch
" Nathan Glazier
" Jennie Hatch
" Carl Habig
" Samuel Hieber
" Ed Preston, Chmn. of Knitting
" Mary Preston
" James Preston
" Sarah Parker
" Celia Saylor
" W.J.Snyder
Miss Ida Andrews
" Ethel Malcolm
" Esther Parker
" Ada Sloffer
" Martha Smith

Working average, 6 hrs. weekly in winter; 4 hrs. Eight days' service at the Fair, 1918.

LEO,

Miss Edith Blackburn, Sec'y
Mrs. Alta Masefield
" Jessie Kryder
" E.M.Foster
" Henry Miller
" Ella Hosler
" Dora Disler
" Sarah Soule
" Lida Hollopeter
" William Warner
" Nellie Mershon
" P. Yachcoll
" Charles Fishburn
" A. Abbott
Miss Bertha Abbott
" Blanche Disler
" Elsie Garman
" Marjorie Dailey

Rem.: The Chairman Report - the above workers "100%".

THE BRANCHES--continued.

Grabill,
Mrs A.S.Klopfenstein, Chmn.
Sewing committee:
Mrs Andrew Conrad
" Albert Roth
" Albert Egley
" Lloyd Hursh
Articles made, 578.
Knitting Committee:
Mrs. William Merrill, Chmn.
" Edgar Rippe, ass't.
Articles made, 187.
Refugees Sewing Committee:
Mrs. A.S.Klopfenstine,
Miss Bessie Friscoe
" Bernice Klopfenstine
Articles made, 340.
Members enrolled: 82.
Workers, 49. All the above;
Mrs. C.O.Benjamin
" Ira Fuhrman
" William Friesce
" M.O.Gorrell
" Mark Gorrell
" Elizabeth Gleasman
" O.K.Hilty
" Frank Hollopeter
" J.P.Klopfenstine
" D.N.Klopfenstine
" George "
" Christ "
" Anna "
Miss Elizabeth "
" Mary "
Mr. Joseph "
" Gerald "
Mesdames:
George Kesler
Ray Kneisley
Daniel Crick
E.C.Martz
W.N.Merrill
Hiram Page
Alex P. Smith
Ed Swift
Dr. Shook
Eric Seymour
Nathan Tillbury
Misses :
Lizzie Roth
Amber Tillbury
Opal Wilmot
Marie Markle
Evelyn Markle
Elizabeth Clauser

Mesdames:
S.D. Tope
Joseph Wittwer
David Wittwer
Henry Wittwer
W.W.Wann
Carl Wilmot

Hoagland,
Mrs. M.H.Sorg, Chmn.
" Drage, Treas.
Miss Lydia Gresley, Sec'y
Mrs. George Adair
" Huldah Biggs
" Jacob Barkley
" Minna Bobilya
" Helen Buck
" Milton Barto
Miss Minnie Chapman
" Bessie Chrabe
" Flossie Corbil
" Effie Daugherty
Mrs. Adam Crawford
" Marion Crawford
" Henry Emrick
" Jane Emenhiser
" Louis Grotian
" Elmer Grimsby
" Nettie Hubler
" Dell Houk
" Ida Houk
" Mabel Houk
" E. Kuntz
" Mart Lutman
" McPherters
" Emily McIntosh
" Rev. Shanks
" John Lauzure
" Dr. J.L.Smith
" Paul Smitley
" Earl Smitley
The Misses Eva and Ida Hartzell
Alice and Nora Kennerk,
Esther Jones, Anna Harrod
Mrs. George Stout
" Lizzie Salfrank
" Emma Small
" Todd
" Elmira Youse
" Sarah YOuse
Articles made for 1444.
No.of Wrkers: 45

THE BRANCHES--continued.

Milan Centre,
Organized January, 1918.
Mae Ringwalt, Chmn.
Jessie Yerkes, Sec'y
Edith Botteron, Treas.
Members enrolled, 43
Working members, 30
Garments made, 484
Knitted Articles, 27
Cash Donated, $24,32
Belgian Relief, five large boxes. (Working it not sent in.)

Monroeville,
Mrs. Charles Krick, Chmn.
" J.W.EDWARDS
" REBECCA PECKHAM
" HARRIET MUNDORF
" Maud Griffith
" Ralph Robinson
" D.E.Kaufman
" Ethel Krick
" G.E.Spake
" Virginia Magner
" William Ainsworth
" N. Mull
" F. Maxheimer
" William Youse
" L. Swaidner
" Bertha Miller
" Jules Rouille
" L.E.Wright
" William Martin
" Charles Ray
" Ben Mooney
" Henry Shank
" Levi Bolyard
" Hively
" George Ireland
" N. Hertel
" J.C.Cowan
" Jeannette Davis
" Dora Taylor
" William Erwin
" Otis Friedline
" John Wolford
" Ella Sweaney
" H.E.Stierman
" Harold Peckham
" A.S.Robinson
" Joe Miller
" Ada Bauserman
" William Murchland
" Arthur Stairhime
Mrs. Henry Davis
" J.M.Jackson
" Ida Crabill
" Henry Bucher
" Iva Dressel
" Jake Bowers
" C.W.Purman
" Lottie Walters
" Grace Fraylick
" Henry Krick
" Gurnie Painter
" Seth Painter
" Dean Ellison
" C.L.Myers
Miss Clara Robinson
" Gladys Jones
" Bernice "
" Jennie "
" Daisy Spaulding
" Mary Carpenter
" Alma Bauserman
" Marguerite Meese
" Ditmars
" Emma Crabill
" Velma McIntosh
" Ella Mull
" F. Felden
" Goldie M. Smith
" Ella Mumma
" Jennie Casselman
" Henrietta Niezer
" Maud Smith
" Elizabeth Proffett
" Violet "
" Hazel "
" Georgia YOuse
" Georgia Crabill
"The Faithful Knitters"
Mrs. A.J.Douglas
" Philip Schlemmer
" Matilda Van Buskirk
" N.P.Brown
" Harriet Mundorf
" Mary Congleton
" F. Holsaple
" John Carpenter
" William Kline
" Delia Clem
" Kate Fry
" Sarah Spaulding.
Working members, 88.
Steady work, eighteen months.

THE BRANCHES-"continued.

NEW HAVEN,
Organized Jan.3,1918.
(at home of Mrs Blaising.
Mr. B.H.Smith,Chmn.
Mrs. J.S.Stocks, vice chmn.
Miss Maud Caps,treas.
Mrs.Otto,Kucher,sec'y
Mrs.William McDonald
MrsA.R.Schnitker

Workshop: Mrs. Stocks,Chmn.
Lieutenants: Mesdames
A.Smith
J.R.Hartzell
Otto Kucher
A.R.Schnitker
August Lupkin
L. Petty
K.C.Hanna
H.H.Grubb
Henry Jackson
August Mason
W.Lucas

Knitting Department,
Mrs. H.H.Grubb,Chmn.

Christmas Box Committee:
Mrs. Stocks
" Mabel Todd
" A.R.Schnitker
" Lydia McDonald
" W.Lucas
Miss Maud Caps
" Inez Gorrell
Mr. Tom Dowling
Boxes sent overseas: 53.

War Fund Committee:
Mrs. Sam Stocks, Chmn.
" H. Leitnaker
" T.J.Finan
" A.Muntzinger
" Ed Kohlmeyer
" R. Kaufman
" A.R.Schnitker
" William Bowers
" J.C.Smith
" H.H.Grubb
" William Harper
" Charles Todd
Mrs.August Blaising,
" Otto Kucher
" J.M.McMaken
" P.M.Griffin
Miss Genevieve Vadde,
Committee.

Membership Committee:
B.H.Smith,Chmn.
Mesdames:
H.H.Grubb
F.A.Blaising
Catherine Kohlmeyer
Jessie Doyle
August Wolf
August Mason
A.R.Schnitker
William Federspiel
Bowman,B.F.
Minnie Harris
Cora Lucas
William Bowers
L. Petty
Bertha Albro
Iva Sleet
A.C.Muntzinger
R. Curtz
Miss Olive Lenhart
Messrs.Blaine Butler
August Blaising.

First "benefit" given by the little Misses:
Bernice Morris
Helen Smith
Lois Smith
Lavilla Tillock
Jessie Girardot
Adelia Wolf,and
Master Murray Petty.
Other Benefits were given by:
Public School Children
The Walther League
The European School of Music
The New Haven Band
Miss Metcalf's Dramatic Class
Mrs. Albro's S.S.Class
The Athletic Club
The Royal Neighbors, and
Lutherans.

THE BRANCHES--continued.

Cash donations:
From-
Dr. M.A.Mason
The Lutheran Ladies' Aid
The Lutheran Sewing Circle
Mrs. Adeline Butler
Mrs. Frank Small
The Prot. Meth. Ladies' Aid
The Brudi-Heine Wedding Guests.

Gifts:
Three crib comforts for Belgians from Children of St John's School.
A quilt,
from the Lutheran Sewing Circle
A Sewing machine,
from Mrs.Roberts.
Sewing Machines were loaned by
Mesdames: L.S.Mull
O. Brown
K.C.Hanna
S.J.Stocks
L.Petty
R. Kaufman
A. Smith
H. Purvis
H. Stewart
J. Hathaway
H. Lamont
M. Chapman
E.E.Morris
William Bowers
E. Harper
R. Bell
Miss Downhour
Mr. Schmidt

Workers were:
Mesdames: H.H.Grubb
Sarah Mason
H. Freese
J.C.Smith
A. Barrow
P.M.Griffin
Emma Griffin
B. Doyle
Wm. McDonald
Lydia Rose
Alzada Bolyard
L. Girardot
B.Vodde
Leonard Petty
W. Lucas
J.Hellworth
A. Smith
J.R.Hartzell
Otto Kucher
J.R.Schnitker
A.Lupkin
Marie Caps
K.C.Hanna
H. Jackson
A. Mason
R. Kaufman
W.E.Bowers
George Hardesty
Kortenber
George Townsend
Jennie Gladieux
J.J.Schrader
Minnie Harris
Chrissie Habig
F.A.Blaising
A.F.Wehrling
J.P.Rich
Clem Blaising
E. Kallmeyer
G.G.Brudi
R. Curtis
Iva Bigelow
George Bolyard
Minnie Daniels
Ira Butler
Mabel Todd
Wm Hannefeld
Ellen Yoquelet
Mary Mack
Mary Jaquay
Robert Bell
O. Brown
Charles Hutson, sr.
Mary Klein
C. Birkhold
Blanhe Harvey
Alice Delaney
F. Perkins
Clara Schafer
M. Bandelier
Lanona Wolf
A. Cramer
E. Robinette

THE BRANCHES--continued.

New Haven Branch, continued.

Workers:

Mesdames E.E.Morris
B.H.Smith
Oral Kitchen
Frank Lake
Ellis Wolf
J.A.Masters
T.H.Lichtsinn
Lydia Fry
J. Schroeder
H.A.Morris
August Blaising
John Bremer
Will Bremer
Albert Bowers
H.B.Kohlmeier
Wm Federspiel
Henry Lapp
E. Sturm
George Hazelit
A. Long
Wm. Harper
S. Heininger
A. Meyers
Wm. Heine
D.Pollots
T.J.Finan
C. Schuckel
B.Blackburn
Grace Blaising
Lee Burgett
A. Sheehan
R.L.Linn
D. Nail
Henry Snyder
Edna Bowman
L. Ruyoth
H. Burkholder
Elmer Urbine
Jacob Shieler
E. Lepper
A. Brudi
John Schuckman
Minnie Kees
H.C.Lovett
Leona Schockey
J. Becker
Ida Blackburn
Charles Hutson, jr.
Mary Bremer
J.C.Lake
John Scheeler
Italy Stocks

Misses:

Margaret Martin
Viola Martin
Ethel Bolyard
Mabel Robinette
Alice Tibbits
Otilie Kucher
Florence Hutson
Margaret Callahan
Willie Sheehan
Olive Lenhart
Clarena Yoquelet
Meta Holman, Reg. Nurse
Irene Kohlmeier
Genevieve Vodde.

CIVILIAN RELIEF DEPARTMENT
of the
FORT WAYNE RED CROSS
HOME SERVICE SECTION.

Chairman, July, 1917 to June, 1918, Charles R. Lane.
Chairman June, 1918, to close, 1919, Charles M. Niezer.

Registered for first Civilian Relief Course, June 1917:
Mrs. Zurbuch
Mr. P.A.Thompson
" F.W.Shockley
" William Fruechtenicht
" George T. Miller
" W.H.Bender
Mrs. W.A.VanKeuren
" Charles Snowberger
" Ralph Magee
" B.Paul Mossman
" E.E.Emmons, Portland, Ind.
" Lew G. Ellingham
" G.W.McCaskey
" Robert Harding
" Gaston Baihle
" Alice F. McCulloch(Mullins)
" P.A.Thompson
" Edward Close
" Viola Tucker
Miss Louise Pixley(Mrs Coe)
" Winnie Callahan
" Winnie Tracey
" Mary Woodhull
" Ada Burdett
" Anna Bothner
" Hilda Hughes, LaGrange, Ind.
" Margaret Smith
" Mary Katherine Smeltzley
" Mabel Carter
" Helen Hackett(Huntertown, Ind.
" Betty Teagarden
" Helen Lane
" Marjorie Pickard
" Julia Flemion
" Toba Baum
" Minette Baum
" Helen Thompson
Mrs. N.D.Doughman took the course in Home Service at Lima, Ohio.

Executive Secretary, Helen Lane.
Chairman of Field Work, Mrs Shelton.
Visitor, Miss Margaret Smith.

Medical Committee: Drs. Adam L. Schneider, H.E.Glock, Garette Van Sweringen, W.O.Gross.

Clerical Service: Mrs. Harry Schlatter and the Misses Ruth Caldwell, Elma Dixon & May Sullivan.

Visitors: Mesdames
E.G.Trenkley
M.C.Norton
C.W.Honeck
H.S.Tinkham
Alfred Kettler
Louis Stiefel
P.A.Thompson
Nellie Rohrbaugh
E.A.Barnes
W.H.Connor
W.D.Calvin
N.D.Doughman
H. Gosney
Louis Gehrke
Frank M. Randall
R.H.Snyder
Blanche Wagner
Bertrand S. Hawkins
AL. L. Johns
C.F.Mize
A.L.Weinstein
Misses: Margaret Smith
Mary Lee
Louise Pixley
Abbie Keegan
MaryK. Smeltzley
Juanita Ward
May Sullivan
Helen Thompson
Fanny Winch
Marie Zucker
Rev. J.F.Delaney
Mr. George Miller.

Clothing for the Destitute of Northern France and Belgium,
Collected and Shipped April, 1918.

Shoes, prs., 2174
Hose, " 3460
Garments, Men's, 4975
" Women's, 5329
" Boys' 1741
" Little Folks' 5178
" Babies', 2132
Underwear, Men's, 894
" Women's, 868
" Children's, 2617
Bedding, articles, 309
Total.....30677
Miscellaneous: Buttons, Needles, Pins, Thread, patch goods.
Shipping Boxes...152
Truck loads.....7

Assorting Committee:
Henrietta Alter,
Hilda Enterdocter
Ethel Gass, Laura Heine,
Mrs. Minnie Todd, Marie Futorius, Ethel Miller,
Ethel Steiss, and Messrs.
Ed Hughes. F.C.Evans, &
William Maloney.

Packing cases given by
S.B.Thing & Co.,
Ofenloch's Shoe Store
Theo J. Israel,
Wayne Overall Company
Tepper Brothers,
G.R.Kinney & Co.
Boston Dry Goods Co.,
A.H.Perfect & Co.

Room, H. Goldstine.
Sign, W.T.Buckles.
Chairs, Foster Funn. Co.
Publicity Work, B.J.Griswold
News articles, NEWS-SENTINEL & JOURNAL-GAZETTE.

Packing and Invoicing,
Mrs. H.S.Tinkham, and
Experts from George Dewald and Co.,
and the Steele-Meyers Co.

Printing and Paper Supplies,
Fort Wayne Printing Co.

Volunteer Typewriter Girls,
Marjorie Kilgore,
Fern Kane
Mrs. Anne Armistead
Mrs. W.H.Gillette.

Collectors for Schools and Church Stations,
The Junior Red Cross

Delivering from same:
Auto Reserve Corps, Dan Beem Captain.
Women's Motor Corps,
Mrs Ben Levy, Captain.

Collecting, Boy Scouts.
" 14 Loads, by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Taylor.
Delivering from St Patrick's,
" 15 Loads , by Mrs Frank Klotz.

Expenses paid by Mizpah Temple
A.A.O.N.M.S. .....$170.

Committee: M.S.Mahurin
John Wilding
Tom Snook
Adam Rinehart.

RED CROSS AUCTION SALE.

Dates, September 11, to 14, 1918.
Chairman, L.H.Moore
Auctioneer in Chief,
Henry T. Stapleford.
Gross Receipts.....$46,529.41
Expenses.....$4,569.82
Net Results.....$41,959.59

(April 12, 1919)

THE FIRST RED CROSS WAR FUND DRIVE.
Dates, June 18th to 25th, 1917.
Quota, $80,000. Subscribed, $112,000. Subscribers, 15,800

General Chairman, B.Paul Mossman.
Chairman of Executive Committee, Edward C. Miller
Treasurer, Frank H..Cutshall.
Director City Campaign, Harry M. Hogan
Director County Campaign, William C. Schwier
Executive Committee, F.S.Hunting
Henry C. Paul
Abe Ackerman
John W. Eggeman

The "Entering Wedge":
Samuel M. Foster.....$1000.
Wm.E.Mossman.....$1000.
Henry C. Paul.....$1000.
John H. Bass.....$1000.
Wm. H. Noll.....$1000.
Louis Fox.....$1000.
James J. Wood.....$1000.
Charles A. Wilding.....$1000.
S.F.Bowser & Co.....$1000.
Moellering Bros. & Millard....$500.
John A. and Fred J. Thieme....$500.
G.E.Bursley and Co.....$500.
A.H.Perfect and Co.....$500.

TEAMS, W.C.Schwier,
General Captain.
Township Captains:
EEL River, David O. McComb
Perry, Will Johnson
Cedar Creek, Will Tomkel
Springfield, Dr.G.W.Gillie
Scipio, Ed.G. Hoffman
Lake, William Johnston
Washington, Sam.S. Kelker
St Joseph, Christian Vonderau
Milan, Henry Wetzel
Maumee, William Ranke
Aboite, A.W.Grosvenor
Wayne, Allen Hamilton
Adams, William Eggeman
Jefferson, A.J.Hutchins
Jackson, Frank Emerick
Lafayette, August Reiling
Pleasant, Edwin Miller
Marion, Adolph Lepper
Madison, David C. Stout
Monroe, J.E.McArdle.

City Teams:
No.1. Albert E. Thomas, Capt.
Don D. Mungen
Max Blitz
J.A.Nipper
C.A.Niebergall
Charles Rastetter
John N. Pfeiffer
Oscar Foellinger
F.H.Pocock
Noah Egley
Frank Taft
E.W.Dodez
Frank S. Smitley
No.2, J.Wade Bailey, Capt.
Brown Cooper
W.C.Dickmeyer
A.G.Burry
L.Park Drayer, sr.
Page Tarnelle
Hal Y. Rehrer
Warren D. Calvin
M.B.Larimore
E.A.Crane
Arthur W. Parry
Dick Waterfield.

First R.C.War Fund Drive Teams,cont.

No.3.E.A.Wagner, Capt.
C.I.Hall
F.M.Price
M.S.Willson
GeorgeAJacobs
W.D.Niswonger
W.A.Nichols
Harry P. Fletcher
Herbert J. Lang
Guy Bassett
Guy Gilbert

No.4. Stephen A. Callahan, Capt.
Charles D. Nolan
Frank H. Hilgeman
Ralph Diserens
Albert O. Pape
George Niezer
H.O.Brueggeman
Charles Muhler
Fred McCulloch
James E. Cahill
Garette Van Sweringon
Carl Suedhoff
Frank M. Hogan
Henry F. Kennerk
Julian F. Franke
Frank J. Morsches
Perry Stahl.

No. 5. Harry A. Perfect,Capt.
L.H.Moore
Fred Schwier
Arthur J. Folsom
E.E.Perry
W.F.Graeter
Guy Mahurin
Charles R. Lane
F.G.Gauntt
Roger I. Fisher
E.J.Little
John B. Beall
E.F.Yarnelle

No.6. A.A.Serva,Capt.
Ed.M. Wilson
Theodore Wentz
John C. Hoffman
Clint R. Willson
Bert J. Griswold
W.H.Rohan
Charles H. Gumpper
Hugh Keegan
Wm. Rastetter
Arthur L. Hadley
Robert M. Feustel.

No. 7. E.H.Kilbourne,Capt.
Clarence J. Schoo
Sam W. Greenland
Guy Scott
George Haffner
Paul Guild
C. Paul Milliken
Frank E. Bohn
Mr. Burgess
Mr King
Mr. La Sauce

No.8. Henry Beadell,Capt.
L.C.Steger
Edwin Peirce
David N. Foster
Gottlieb Heinz
Noble G. Olds
Peter Pickard
Frank K. Safford
Fred Shoaff
Frank Edmunds
Ben Heaton
E.H.Merrit
Ralph Magee

No. 9.Charles M. Niezer,Capt
Byron H. Somers
Guy Colerick
John Heller
Herman Bueter
Charles Reuss
H.J.Bowerfind
Oscar Brokaw
Al Riegel
Lee Ivins
Tom Lane
Will Ortlieb
H.H.Rose
Phil Danehy

No. 10.Albert S. Bond,Capt.
D.S.Vesey
Herbert L. Somers
J.M.Kuhns
Dan N. Beers
C.M.Mills
E.M.Popp
Sol K. Blair
Walter Seavey
John Wilding
W.M.Leedy

RED CROSS MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN, 1917.
Dates, December 15th to 22nd, 1917.
Chairman, Mr. Harry Muller
Factory Teams, Internal.
Women's Teams, Volunteer.

Subscriptions, $37,747.00.

SECOND RED CROSS WAR FUND DRIVE,
Dates, May 18th to 23rd, 1918.
General Chairman, B.Paul Mossman.
Chairman of Executive Committee, Edward C. Miller.
Treasurer, Frank H. Cutshall.

Director City Campaign, Harry G. Hogan
Director County Campaign, William C. Schwier.

Director of Women's Teams, Mrs. B.H.Hudson.
Chairman of Organizing, Mrs. Martin H. Luecke.
Ward Chairmen, ten in number,

Mrs. George Waldschmidt	Mrs. Allen J. Vesey
" James Shields	" Will H. Rohan
" Otto Fuelber	" B.Paul Mossman
" E.G.Trenkley	" Robert Koerber
Miss Louise Pixley	" C.H. Loch.

Eighty-three Captains, Eight Hundred Workers.

CHRISTMAS ROLL-CALL, 1918.
Dates, December 16th to 23rd, 1918.
County Manager, Frank E. Bohn.
Assistant, Will H. Rohan.
Secretary, Otto Marahrens.
Township Director, David O. McComb.

City Director, Mrs. B.H.Hudson.
Assistant, Mrs. Lee J. Ninde.
Chairman Factory Canvass, Mrs. J.R.Meriwether.
Secretary, Miss Clara Poole.
Supplies. Mrs. Frank M. Hogan, and
Mrs. C.L.Biederwolf.

Canvass conducted with thirty-five "Captains".
Women's Teams netted 85% of the total.
Boy Scouts and the Men did the rest.

Subscriptions, ...$26,399.25

THE CANTEEN REST ROOM AT THE PENNSYLVANIA STATION.
Chairman , Mrs. Margaret Olds;Vice Chairman,Margaret Hanna.
Chairman of Refreshments, Helen Ittenbach.
Hostesses,Miss Adah Bulger, and
Mesdames Ben Levy,
M.C.Norton
J.W.Foohey
Frank Bond
Martin Luecke
Gaston Baihle
A.W.Pickard
Harry Perfect
Henry Beadell
Sam Wolf
William Griffin
Noble Olds
Alex B. White
C.J.Scheo
Will Rohan
J.B.Crankshaw
E.H.Kilbourne
Thomas De Haven
Bert J. Griswold
J.Wade Bailey
A.L.Randall
Edward Gilmartin
E.J.Longfield
D. Frank Klotz.

Furniture donated by:
The Foster Furniture Company
The Pickard Bros. House Furnishing Co.
The Indiana Furniture Company
The Hadley Furniture Company
The Fort Wayne Outfitters Company
The Steele-Meyers Company
Wolf and Dessauer
The G.W.Gates Company
The Packard Piano Company
Lanternier,Florist
Trenkley and Koerber
A & I Leather Shop.

THE CANTEEN,FORT WAYNE CHAPTER,A.R.C.,
Commandant, Mrs. Will K. Noble.
Organization:

Monday,
Captain, Mrs Walter Barrett.
Lieuts.Mrs.C.J.Scheo
Mrs M. Price.
Mrs.J.W.Morrison
Mrs.Fred McCulloch.
Amelia Moran
Helen Jacobs
Luella Moellering
Persia Bond
Maribel Olds
Elizabeth Baldwin
Mable Grubb
Mrs.Selma Chaska Meyers
Mrs. Frank Sale
Mrs.W.H.Gillette
Mrs Christine Pape Meyers
Mrs. E.H.Kilbourne
Mrs. C.L.Biederwolf
Mrs. J.F.Wertz
Laverne Moumau
Louise Baade
Alice Ward
Linda McKinnie
Florence Mac Millan
Beryl Stewart.

Tuesday,
Captain,Mrs. Theodore Frank,(sr)
Lieuts.,Mrs.Austin Stults
Miss Emma Rürode.
Mrs. Jennie Buhler
" Estella Baihle
" C.B.Singleton
" Helen Hardendorf
" Helen Strasberger
" Jack Banning
" George Latz
" E.J.Longfield
" E.M.Savercool
" Charles Meek
" R.D.McKeon
" Shultz
" Steve Trentman
" Roger Fisher
" Ben Levy
Miss Frances Dreier
Geraldine Bulson
Nellie Pape
Bertha Bushing
Helen Gilmartin
Gertrude Canada
Margaret Evans
Harwood.

THE CANTEEN--continued.

Wednesday,
Captain, Miss Ruth Levy.
Lieuts.,(Mrs J.B.Crankshaw
(Mrs. John H. Vesey
(Miss Marguerite Fisher
Mrs. Edna Grove
" Bertha Wallace
" Tressie Eward
" Thomas De Haven
" Little Johns
" Edna Cox
" Anna Gaskins
" Max Kraus
" Lillian Buesching
" E.A.Meek
" B.J.Griswold
" W.S.Clayton
" H.L.Somers
" Ewing Bond
" Robert Fowler
Miss Marie Herber
" Helen Ittenbach
" Julietta Lang
" Louella Borgman
" Helen Eckart
" Ethel Marriotte
" Laura Schroll.

Thursday,
Captain,Miss Harriet Fowler
Lieuts.,(Mrs Peter Pickard
(Mrs Alex White
Grace Barva
Blanche Townsend
Ethel Doud
Margaret Hanna
Bessie Bushing
Marguerite Flick
COlumbia Romberg
Julietta Schoch
Florence Pickard
Marjory Erick
Marguerite Wilding
Mrs. John Foohey
" Flora Mulholland
" Anne Armistead
" Tom Merrill
" Sam Wolf
" George Ashley
" Alice Crane Bond
" John Watt
" G. Bridges
" Paul Stevens
" T.J.Hindman
" Alfred Kettler
" Zurbach
" F.S.Hunting
" Henry Beadell
"

Friday, Captain, Mrs .
James Shields.
Lieuts.,(Mrs. Martin Luecke
(Mrs. Chas.M. Niszer
Blanche Reuss
Louise Pixley
Lucile Volland Mrs. L.Ofner
May Gentlivre " J.F.Wertz.
Helen Lau
Marjorie Kilgore
Irene Miller
Jane Meriwether
Mrs.Paul Rose
" Walter Shepard
" Maurice Millar
" Harry Schlatter
" G.W.Gardner
" Henry Jordon
" J.Wade Bailey
" E. Gilmartin
" C.C.Fredericks
" Jules Simons
" George Hobe
" W.H.Rohan

Saturday, Captain,
Mrs. M.P.O'Connor
Lieuts.,(Edna Heit Fee
(Marie Landenberger
Mrs. E.T.Wood,Mrs. Al Kettler.
Misses
Elsie Paul
Katherine Vesey
Muriel Baxter
Bertha Tower
Ruth Caldwell
Clara Schroeder
Amy Menefee
Adah Burdette
Edith Keeran
Josephine Henderson
Velma Grosjean
Helen Griffin
Arnold Tresselt
Mrs Wallace
Elma Dixon
Altina Lane
Zilla Stewart
Marjory Mahurin

CANTEENk-continued.

Sunday,
Julia Fritz
Marceline Gerow
Pohlmeyer
Pohlmeyer
Emily Gillie
Madam Grandchamp
Carol Stewart
Kaarem Amodt
Genevieve Barton
Elizabeth Feeny
Adah Heller Bulger
Elizabeth O'Rourke
Marie McMullen
Marie Lallak
Marguerite Strube
Marguerite Travis
Florence Ashley
Vivian Erickson
Clara Suhr
Georgeanna Fike
Florence Achenbach
Loretta Hays
Jennie Goldstein
Blanche Bilderbach
Gertrude Potter
Mary Gordon
Margaret Sanders
Emma Kellar
Marguerite Muller
Elinor Schneider
Corrinne Leedy
Georgia Leedy
Gertrude Penrod
Elinor Lowry.

Substitutes:
Mrs. Tressie Eward
" J.B.Crankshaw
" Bert J. Griswold
" T.J.Hindman
" W.H.Rohan
" E.A.Meek
" E.H.Kilbourne
" E.J.Longfield
" Savercool
" Henry
" Walter Barrett
" Sam Wolf
" E.H.Olds
" Joe Lohman
" Robert Fowler
" J.H.Gilpin
" Bertrand S. Hawkins
" J.F.Wertz
Miss May Lowry

Substitutes,cont.
MissJulietta Lang
" Amelia Moran
" Mable Grubb
" Florence Achenbach
" Louella Moellering
" Helen Ittenbach
" Inez Kiefer
" Frances Dreier
" Eva Harwood
" Gertrude Canada

Emergency:
Dr. Jessie Calvin
Miss Eugenia Lehman
Miss Sue Barnett
Mrs. James White
Mrs.H.M.Quicksell
Mrs. C.F.Terrell
" Harry Perfect
" Charles Pidgeon
" John Thompson
" A.W.Pickard
" Max J. Blitz
" Larry Randall
" Rodabaugh
" C.K.Rieman
Miss Anna Ward
Mrs. W.S.Morris
" Hugh G. Keegan
" E.J.Lindeman
" E.H.Briggs.

Norine Feightner
Helen Lane
Marjorie Rohan
Claire Diehm
Florence Merrit.

Colored: Lucy Wilson,Emma Robinson, Lettie Smith,Mrs. Frank Poindexter, Elvanie Moore and Mrs. Jordan.

Miss Mary Meyer :
Mrs Cliff Bornschein :
Miss Mary Carbaugh :
Miss Rith Bryson :
" Louise Brown :
" Mary Zent :

The Pennsylvania Station Rest Room.
(Confusion of lists renders this extra roster advisable)
Mrs.Will K. Noble, Commandant.
Mrs Margaret S. Olds, First Chairman, "Major".
Miss Margaret Hanna, vice Chairman.
Mrs H.S.Tinkham, assistant Chairman, Captain
Miss Adah Burdette, Assistant Chairman.

Day by Day Captains:
Mrs. J. W.Foohey
" Noble G. Olds
" George Dewald,
" George Henry
" Charles Kuhne,
" J.B.Crankshaw
" John E. Ross
" Adah Bulger
"Mrs J. Wade Bailey

Lieutenants:
Mesdames
Martin Luecke
Frank Bend
Allen Hamilton
Claude Bowers
Henry Beadell
Paul Rose
E.H.Kilbourne
E.J.Longfield
Lyman T. Rawles
Walter Miller
Frank Smith
Edward Gilmartin
James Meriwether
Wallace A. Van Keuren
Jesse Greene

Misses
Bosse V. Thaler
Louise Pohlmeyer
Irma Hutzell

THE CORPS.
Mesdames
Maurice O'Connor
Sam'l M. Foster
M.V.Tucker
Harry Perfect
Sam Wolf
Alex White
Harry Hogan
Artemas W. Pickard
A.L.Randall
W.O. McBride
Donald McDonald
J.F.Wertz
G.W.Gardner
Henry J. Bowerfind
Roger Fisher
Thomas Dehaven
Charles Buesching

Mesdames
Charles Pape
Ferd Benter
Frank Koester
Paul Staele
Margaret Pfeiffer
E.A.Clark
Henry Jordan
W.B.Rice
Gertrude M. Canada
George Bridges
E.D.Evarde
W.H.Rohan
Bert Bowser
Walter Seavey
Tom Merrill
Gaston Faihle
Ben Levi
M.C.Norton
Howard Townsend
Kenneth Carbaugh
Florence N. Ashley
E.A.Meek
Harry Quicksell

Misses
Bertha Tower
Luella Moellering
Jane Meriwether
Marjorie Rohan
Lillian Lowe
Beryl Stewart
Helen Griffin
Mabel Grubb
Maribel Olds
Louise Herber
Georgia Leedy
Corrinne Leedy
Luella Borgman
Amy Menefee
Grace Barva
Lillian Pohlmeyer
Erin Bennigan
Emma Sanders
Mary Lowery
Borgia Lowery
Gladys Roberts
Blanche Reuss
Marjorie Erick
Helen Ittembach
Irene Miller
Helen Lau

Continued.

Misses
Grace Hogan
Helen Bryson
Esther Jacobs
Louise Hamlett
Ethel Doud
Junetta Schoch
Amelia Moran
Mary Zent
Emily Penningroth
Louise Braun
Mabel Cooper
Alice Rabus
Eda Siemon
Zillah Stewart
Clara Kampe
Alice Kampe
Margaret Anne Keegan
Ruth Wagner
Charlotte Auger
Helen Thompson
Bessie Baldwin
Helen Jacobs
Jessie Tower

PRE-ORGANIZATION MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN RED CROSS IN FORT WAYNE.

Judge Robert S. Taylor
Fanny Wright Taylor
Byron D. Angell
W.W.Pool
E.W.Peirce
Dr. Miles F. Porter, sr.

MEMBERS DURING THE SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR:
Dr. W.W.Barnett and Dr. Charles E. Barnett.

Pre-Organization R.C.N. Roll:

Elizabeth Melville
Elizabeth Springer
Anna Lauman
Frances F. Keyser
Lillian Garard
Besse Sewall
Augusta A. Fisher
Rose Teichman
Lucy Lauman

THE CHARTER GROUP AT DATE OF ORGANIZATION,
December 8th, 1916.

Rev. H.B.Master
" Arthur J. Folsom
" Gustave Doege
Dr. Jessie C. Calvin
" Carrie Banning
Anna Lauman
Patricia Irene Byron
Mrs. Laura G. Detzer
" A.E.Fauver
Mrs. J.R.Meriwether
" B.J.Griswold
Mr. W.H.W.Peltier
" Frank H. Cutshall
" Ed C. Miller
" O.E.Mohler
" E.W.Peirce
" E.L.Taylor
" B.J.Griswold

THE INITIAL DRIVE FOR MEMBERSHIP, 1917.
Personnel of the Working Committee in the "House to House" Canvass.

Mesdames:
Harry L. Askew
R.S.Banks
J.D.Banning
Joseph Baum
J.W.Bosch
Richard Blossom
Mabel Clayton
J.B.Crankshaw
Aleck Cour
Martha Cox
Gaston Baihle
A.J.Detzer
J.Frank Dinnen
Phil Dixon
Fred Davis
Norton N. Fisher
Carolyn R. Fairbank
E.A.Fitzgerald
W.O.Granger
G.H.Heine
Fred Heine
Robert Harding
Arthur L. Hadley
A.L.Johns
F.J.Kanaga
L.M.Kelsey
W.W.Knight
Ed Kibiger
Charles Lang
S.J.Leland
Fred McCulloch
Guy Mahurin
William McKay
G.W.McCaskey
F.M.Miles
Everett Miles
Mary Proehl
W.C.Ryan
W.H.Rohan
Amos Richey
Arthur H. Remmel
H.H.Ray
H.H.Rogers
J.D.Rauch
J.G.Schwarz

House to House Canvass, continued.

Mesdames
Austin Stults
Louis Stiefel
C.A.Stockbridge
I.H.Shorey
Fred Shoaff
James Shields
James Stemen
Charles Spaulding
S.L.Stover
Howard Townsend
Ferd Urbahns
J.M.Van Camp
John Wolfram
Charles Worden
Guy Woods
S.D.Zies

Misses
Mary Abel
Archer
Emma Armstrong
Minette Baum
Mildred Bowser
Virginia Carey
Cole(Y.W.C.A.Sec'y)
Marie Centlivre
Italia Evans
Harriet Fowler
Celia Foley
Alice Habecker
Ola Marks
Margaret McPhail
Jane Meriwether
Elizabeth Porter
Irma Poole
Margery Study
Elizabeth Sihler
Lucile Vail
Margaret Vesey
Flora Wilber
Keturah Williams
Clara Williams
Ignota White
Winter
Martha Wehlfort
(High School Group)
Margaret Evans
Katherine Kampe
Margaret Keegan
Louise Tyger
William White.

Messrs.
P.B.Arnold
J.R.Coar
W.J.Hess
A.P.Leverton
Charles Meigs
F.M.Miles
C.P.Milliken
A.R.Parker
S.B.Plasket
Fred Pocock
Miles Porter,Jr,Dr.
F.M.Price
Louis C. Ward
Charles Nitzer

"COMFORTS FOR FIGHTING MEN"
Chairman, Mrs. H. Brooke Sale.

Mrs. Sale writes:"In addition to other duties in the Knitting Department, there were many who, at specified times acted as chairmen of the day in the teaching department, and in giving out of material to the knitters. Their names, together with those of their assistants in knitting, teaching and inspecting, follow:

Misses:
Mary Abel
Persis Bond
Bronson
Josephine Dinnen
Mary Evans
Margaret Fisher
Harriet Fowler
Frances Haberly
Margaret Hawkins
Marie Landenberger
Ruth Levy
Anna Lowry
Katherine MacDougal
Bertha Medsker
Clara Poole
Pauline Saylor

Mrs. Anne Armistead
" Harry Askew
" James M. Barrett
" Georgie B. Lipsett
" S.B.Bechtel
" Frank Bohn
" Henry J. Bowerfind
" Lulu Colmey
" Edmund Coombs
" Edward Dalman
" Davis
" George Evans
" T.B.Empie
" Edward Fisher
" Max Fisher
" S.S.Fisher
" Sam'l M. Foster
" Herman Freiburger
" Edward Gilmartin
" Jesse Greene
" W.M.Griffin
" Robert Harding
" John Hoffman
" E.G.Hoffman
" Fred E. Hoffman
" George Humphrey
" E.P.Johnson
" Hugh G. Keegan
" Edward Keegan
" Charles S. Knight
" J.J.Kline

Mrs. John Landenberger
" Charles Lang
" Joseph Lohman
" Joseph Loos
" Fred McCulloch
" Franklin Mead
" Robert Meyer
" Albert Mitchell
" Daniel Ninde
" Margaret Olds
" Percy Olds
" John Pennell
" Arthur Perfect
" Peter Pickard
" Marriotte Price
" John Ross
" Harry Schlatter
" F.L.Smock
" Artemas W. Pickard
" Henry Stapleford
" Austin Stults
" James L. Taylor
" Allen J. Vesey
" John Vesey.

The full list of knitters failed to reach the writer of this record, and does not, therefore appear in these pages, until by some happy circumstance, it is recovered.
(Mrs. Taylor)

SUMMARY OF ALL ARTICLES MADE IN OR UNDER THE RED CROSS CHAPTER HOUSE IN FORT WAYNE BEFORE OCTOBER 26, 1917.

Invoice of all work completed before July 20th, 1917, in Allen County and tributary counties, including Surgical Dressings and Hospital Garments.

Surgical Dressings, including pillows, pads and bandages...	13782.
Hospital Garments.....	2231.
Total, ...	16013.

Invoice of weekly consignments from Chapter House to Ware House, July 26 to October 26, 1917:

Comfort Kits.....	298
Ambulances	612
Knitted Articles.....	1281
Hospital Garments and Surgical Dressings.....	23865
Bed Ticks.....	80
Comfort Bags for Signal Corps.....	112
Christmas Boxes.....	500
Total.....	26748
*Consignment of July 20th.....	16013
Total to October 26, 1917,.....	42761

SUMMARY OF SURGICAL DRESSINGS SENT FORWARD FROM OCTOBER 27, 1917, to CLOSE OF WAR, BY THE FORT WAYNE CHAPTER, A.R.C.

Pads, absorbent	Bandages, head	191,984
Pads, irrigation	Pneumonia Jackets	
Pads, laparotomy	Fracture Pillows	
Pads, paper backed	Heel Rings	
Pads, Oakum	Gauze Rolls	
Sponges, assorted sizes	Gauze Strips	
Bandages, many-tailed	Drains	
Bandages, triangular	Wipes	
Bandages, muslin	Shot Bags	
Bandages, abdominal	Sculteetus	
Bandages, flannel	Compresses, single	
Bandages, "T"	Compresses, double	

THREE EMERGENCY COT OUTFITS, EACH CONSISTING OF:

1 Folding Cot	
4 Sheets	4 Hand Towels
3 Blankets	4 Wash Cloths
2 Feather Pillows	2 Pairs Cotton Socks
4 Pillows	Toilet Paper
1 Mosquito Net and Frame	
1 Rubber Sheet	
1 Hot Water Bottle	
1 Bed Pan	
1 Urinal	
1 Pair Ward Slippers	
2 Suits Pajamas	
2 Bed Shirts	

SUMMARY OF HOSPITAL GARMENTS AND KNITTED ARTICLES SENT OUT BY THE FORT WAYNE CHAPTER HOUSE FROM OCTOBER 26, 1917 TO THE END OF THE WAR.

Knitted Articles:

Sweaters.....	
Socks, pairs.....	
Mufflers.....	Total
Wristlets, pairs....	30,949.
Trench Caps....	
Eye Bandages.....	
Wash cloths....	
Surgical Sponges...	

Miscellaneous:

Confort Pillows ..2 cases	
Comfort Kits.....	
Refugee Comforts...	
Regugee Afghans.....	
Refugee Union suits	Total
Refugee Caps.....	4275.
Refugee Petticoats.	
Refugee Bootees.....	

Junior Red Cross Products:

Glass Covers.....	Total
Tray Covers.....	60
Layettes, (35 pieces)....	

Hospital Garments:

Pajamas.....	
Bathrobes.....	
Convalescent Robes.....	
Shoulder Wraps.....	
Nightingales.....	
Underwear(shirts and drawers)	
Bed Jackets.....	
Bed Shirts.....	
Helpless Case Shirts.....	Total
Bed Socks.....	44,018
H.W.B.Covers.....	
"Flu" Masks.....	
Operating Masks.....	
Operating Coats.....	
Handkerchiefs.....	
Napkins.....	
Towels.....	
Sheets.....	
Pillow Cases.....	

ELEMENTARY HYGIENE AND HOME CARE OF THE SICK CLASSES.
Alphabetical List of Students taught by
Miss Frances Ott.
Examiners, Miss Elizabeth Springer and Miss Anna Lauman.

* signifies a completed course.
\# " a diploma awarded.
Numerals signify number of lessons.
@ signifies special excellence or service.
Courses consisted of sixteen 2 hour periods, 32 hours, complete.

A

#Altenhofen, Rose *
Anderton, Delight *
Archer, Katherine *
Allen, Gladys *
#Amann, Mary @ *

B

Boland, Mayme *
Babcock, Mrs. *
Baade, Louise *
Beadell, Mrs. Henry *
Blackburn, Rose *
BonDurant, Lucy *
Bower, Janet *
Becker, Gladys *
Beers, Mrs. G.W. *
Burger, Mrs. Wm. *
#Bayman, Alma *
#Bayman, Hazel *
#Bayman, Florence *
Bickhart, Bertha *
Betz, Marie *
Bright, Mrs. N.J. *
#BeverfordenLoretta *
Beverforden, Flora *
Beverforden, Gertrude *
Beneke, Florence *
Beyer, Mrs. Forest 3
Bowers, Mrs. Claude *
Bowser, Mildred *
Bennett, Audrey
Beierlein, Martha 9
Bushing, Mrs. Arthur
Bushing, Bertha *
Bradbury, Mrs. Irene *
Birbeck, Idabella *
Besson, Mary L. *
Brokaw, Wilma
Bryson, Mrs. C.B. x *
Badiac, Freda
Brown, Mrs. Mary
Bensman, Mrs. Jessie
Bauer, Mrs. Florence *

C

Cavalier, Helen 5
Clutter, Mae 8
Certia, Evelyn 7
Carey, Virginia 6
Coby, Helen
Crouse, Irma 6
#Cone, Fern *
Cone, Mrs. D.B. *
#Crosby, Mabel *
#Crosby, Mrs. Edna *
#Crosby, Grace *
Chadwick, Mrs. R.H. *
Crowe, Bessie *
Chapman, Maxia, *
Cryderman, Maude
#Click, Alice *
#Crighton, Mrs. Lulu *

D

Dobler, Jean *
Deide. Ellen *
Darby, Nina *
#Donnelly, Claudia *
Dinnen, Florence 9
Dunlap, Christine 3
Derernys, Theresa
Doan, Emma 12
Devilbiss, Laurinda *
Day, Mary A.
Darby, Naomi
Darby, Mrs. Edith
#Dygert, Vina x *
Druhot, Miss x *

E

Emrick, Mrs. C.D. *
#Evans, Margaret *
#Evans, Mary *
Ehle, Marie *
Echelberg, Maude C. *
#Ellingham, Winifred *
#Engelhart, Lena *
#Evarde, Adelaide x *

F

#Feagles, Mrs. Ralph *
Fuller, Lilian *

HOME CARE CLASSES-continued.

F

#Fisher, Mrs. Edwin *
#Fisher, Margaret *
#Fair, Helen *
#Fair, Irene *
Flaig, Hattie *
#Frazier, Mrs. Mabel *
#Feightner, Norine *
Fowler, Jessie M. *
Fry, Mrs. H.L. *
Fleming, Sadie *
Fowler, Harriet W. *
Fritz, Julia *
#Fry, Florence *

G

Gardner, Mary Eliz. *
Goldberger, Rose *
Goldberger, Fanny *
Griebel, Bertha *
#Grosjean, Mrs. R.O. *
Groswege, Christine *
Gruber, Mrs. A.J. *
Griffin, Mrs. T.F. 5
Granger, Mrs. W.O. *
Gilmartin, Mrs. Ed. *
Gumpper, Ruth 3
#Gauntt, Olive *
#Gaskins, Annette *
Grover, Mrs. Viola *
Gilmartin, Helen *

H

Howard, Winifred *
Hutchinson, Elizabeth *
#Hoffman, Mrs. J. C. *
Haft, Miss Pauline *
Hamilton, Mrs. Allen 4
Hoffman, Mrs. Fred 2
#Harding, Mrs. Anna *
Hadley, Gladys *
Harbt, Mabel 7
Henderson, Josephine *
Holmes, Mrs. J. 3
#Harley, Irene *
Hitzeman, Linda *
Howell, Della 2
Hogan, Mrs. Harry 5
#Hughes, Mrs. Alva *
#Heaton, Mrs. Ben *
Hosey, Jean
Holland, Gertrude
Hamilton, Mrs. O.S.

H

Heingartner, Mrs. Mary x *
#Harkenrider, Elizabeth *
#Henry, Miss Nellie
#Hall, Lena x *
Harkenrider, Mrs. Mary
#Hoevel, Frances x *

I

Ingham, Meribah *

J

Jensen, Agnes *
Johns, Gladys *
#Johnson, Dorothy x *

K

Kampe, Katherine *
#Karns, Helen *
#Kinnaird, Virginia *
#Kalker, Miss Mattie *
#Koegel, Bernice x *
Koeneman, Mrs. H.F. 14
Kestler, Esther *
Koehler, Amelia 8
#Koons, Ella x *
#Krick, Hazel *
#Krick, Mora *

L

Logue, Esther *
#Grace Bass Leslie, Mrs. *
Laurentz, Ethel *
Liggett, Irene *
Leedy, Corinne *
Lau, Helen *
La Sauce, Mrs. J. *
Lowry, Miss Anna *
Lehrman, Miss Jean *
#Landenberger, Marie *
#Levy, Ruth *
Lamb, Mrs. F.H. *
Loffer, Mrs. Charles *
#Lange, Julietta *
Lukman, Mrs. Luella
#Altina Lane x *

M

Mackwitz, Mrs. Herman *
McKinnie, Eva *
#Miller, Alice *
McComb, Lydia *
#Miller, Esther *
Morrison, Lucile *
McMillen, Clara *

HOME CARE CLASSES-continued.

M

McLaughlin,C. *
#Metzger,Katherine x *
#Mahurin,Mrs. Myrtle *
#Miller,Marie *
#Miller,Helen *
#Meriwether,Jane *
#Malone,Hazel *
#Miller,Mrs. E.C. *
#Morris, Mrs. W.S. *
McKay, Mrs W.T. *
#Meyer,Clara *
Miller,Clara *
Mooney, Jane *
McCarthy, Mrs. *
McDonald,Mrs P.J. *
Mansfield, Mrs. H.F. *
#Magee,Madge *
#Magee,Helen *
Milligan,Mrs. Dan *
Mahoney, Catherine *
#Miller, Irene *
#Miller,Rose *
#McCarthy, Anna *
Marsh, Sadie *
Morr,Effie *
Michefelder,Mrs.L.
Michefelder,Mrs. C.
#Murphy,Nellie *
#McNamara,Anna C. *
McLoed,Mrs. Anna M. *
Morrison,Clara *
Mossman, Mrs. B.P.

N

#Newell,Mrs Harvey *
#Nelson, E.Louise x *
Nolan,Katherine *
Niezer,Rose Fox *
Nussbaum, Edith x *

O

Oren, Hazel *
#Oviatt,Eva Jean *
#Oviatt,Desta May *
Orr, Miss Leatha
Olds, Georgie L. 2
O'Laughlin,Maude *
O'Connor, Mrs. Chas. *
Ohse, Miss Carrie

P

Porter, Lenice *

P

Piepenbrink,Clara *
Pixley,Louise *
#Pickard,Florence *
#Pickard, Marjorie *
Pond, Mrs. Robert *
#Pitcher, Miss Jessie *
Pape,Christine 8
Popp,Mrs. EM.
#Pennoyer, Mrs Agnes *
#Pressler, Caroline *
#Peters,Mrs. Florence *
Pettit,Mrs Will 4
Piepenbrink,Fern 4

R

#Reehling, Ruth *
#Rabus,Alice *
#Rabel(Roebel)Helen *
#Rieke, Mrs. Ed. *
Rohrer, Mrs Will *
#Rowan, Ethel *
#Rohan,Marjorie *
#Redmond, Bessie *
#Riding, Mrs. Jessie *
Ruch, Hazel *
Rayhouse, Ellen *
Rastetter,Hilda *
Ritter,Mrs. J.J. ''''' *
Rice,Olga(went home)
Rehrer,Mrs. Hal *
Rehorst, Florence *
Rehorst,Pearl *
Remmel,Mrs A.K. 3
#Reilly,Mrs. Katherine *
#Reilly,Mrs. Isabel *
Rogers,Mrs. Bessie *
Rothert, Martha *
Rodenbeck, Emilie *
Ross,Mrs John E. *
#Reuss,Blanche *

S

#Schmidt,Mrs.F.H. *
#Schafer, Virginia *
#Stolte,Emma *
#Snively, Carrie A. *
#Sale, Mrs H.Brooke *
#Shryock, Mrs. Bartlett *
Sale, Mrs Frank *
Sommers, Mrs. Alice *
Sherhut,Mrs. J.H. *
#Smith, Lilian *

HOME CARE CLASSES-continued.

S

#Strieder, Margaret *
#Schoch, Junetta *
#Schwarz, Mrs J.G. *
#Suder, Helene *
Savercool, Mrs E.M. *
#Skilling, Dorothy *
#Schlatter, Mrs. Harry *
#Stockbridge, Mrs C.A. *
#Snyder, Florence *
#Spaid, Mrs. R.L. *
#Schmidt, Phillipine *
#Schroer, Lydia *
Stults, Mrs Austin *
#Smith, Margaret *
#Simon, Mrs. Jules *
Shields, Mrs James *
Sites, Charlotte *
Sites, Maude *
#Saylor, Margaret *
Stephens, Mrs. J.M. *
#Schust, Lorine *
#Spahn, Elizabeth *
Stranahan, Nellie x *
Stephens, Marie *
Seibert, Laura *

T

#Tyger, Louise *
#Travis, Margaret *
#Thumma, Miss *
Thompson, Mrs. J. W. *
Terrell, Ada
Traxler, Gwendolyn x *
Thompson, Margaret *
Thompson, Mrs. J.H. *
Thien, May *
Theis, Mrs. Mary *
Tunison, Mrs Edith 14
Thompson, Mrs. Irene *
Tolan, Mrs Alba 2
Tinkham, Tillie x *

U

#Ulmer, Miss Emma *

V

#Vail, Lucile *
#Vail, Martha *
#Van Camp, Mrs. J.H. *
#Vonderan, Anna x *
Van Meter, Mrs. Agnes *

W

Waterfield, Sabina *
Wood, Mary *
#Weaver, Mildred *
Ward, Anne *
#White, Ignota *
#Williams, Mary *
#Wilding, Alice *
Waterfield, Marydell *
#Wilkinson, Leona *
Waltz, Elizabeth *
#Weaver, Ethel *
#Wentz, Frances *
#Wentz, Gula *
Walker, Mrs. R.L. *
Wallace, Mrs Helen *
#Wermuth, Frieda *
Wild, Mayme *
Wolf, Louise *
#Wells, Ruth x *
#Ward, Alice *
White, Mrs Cecilie H. 2
Wallenstein, Mrs. R. 2
Wilkening, Mrs Agnes *
#Williams, Clara B. x *
Webber, Grace x *
#Wyrick, Mrs. S.R. x *

Z

Zucker, Marie *
Zeiders, Mrs. Mattie x *
Zimmerman, Dorothy x *

286 students finished the course, 136 of whom received diplomas. Probably all o of those who finished were deserving of diplomas, but were too rushed with work to apply, or to take the examinations.

Only a small proportion fell by the wayside, a hundred very good reasons for each failure to complete.

These trained women were of great assistance in the Flu epidemic.

EARLY ORGANIZATION OF WORKSHOP
FORT WAYNE CHAPTER, A.R.C.

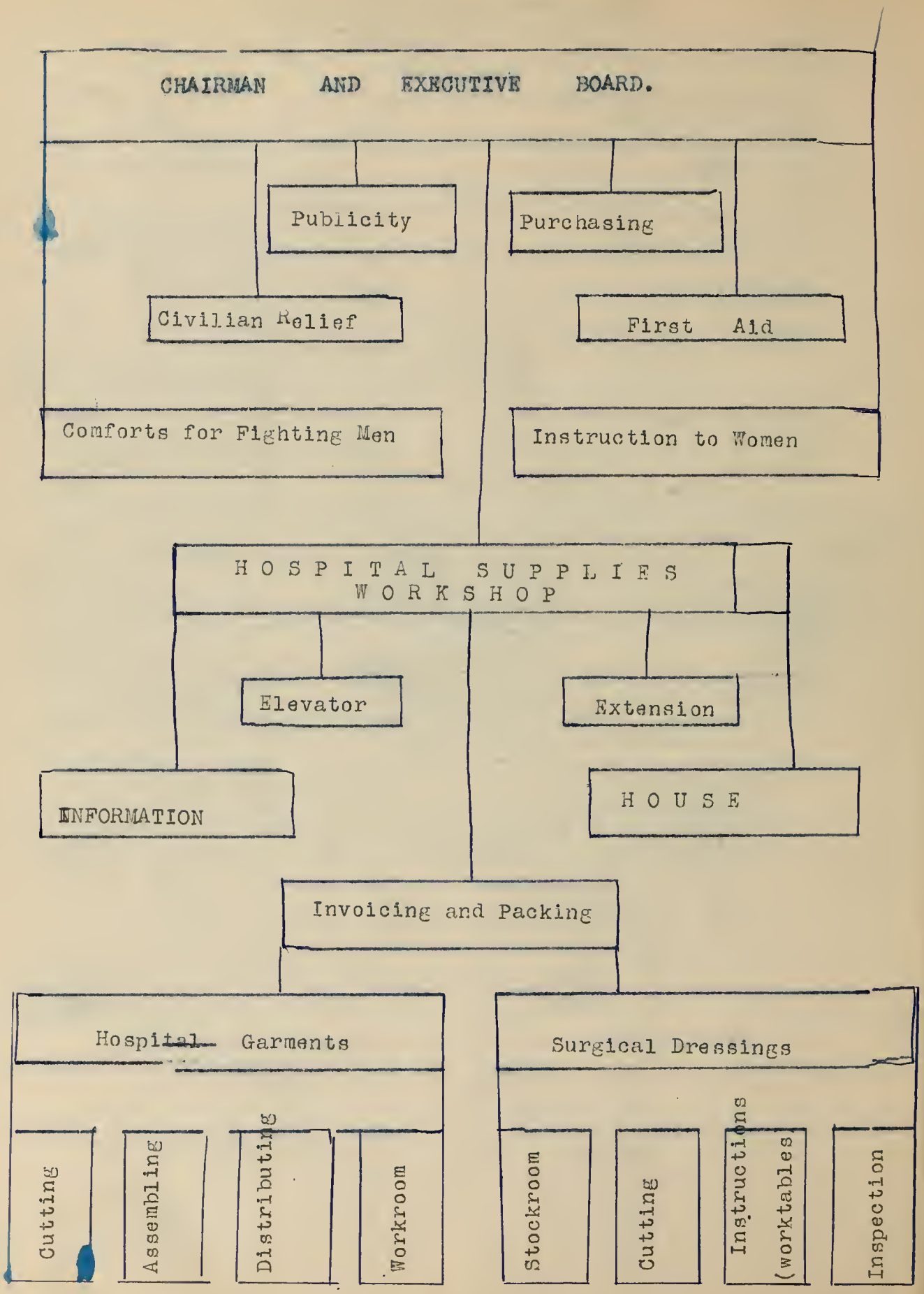
Red Cross Headquarters for Allen, Adams, Noble, Lagrange and other counties.

Chairman of Headquarters, first Quarter, Mrs Adrian E. Fauve

Chairman of Instructions to Women, Mrs. A.L.Johns
Vice Chmn " " " Mrs. Will McKinnie
Secretary, Mrs Arthur H. Remmel
Instructor in Surgical Dressings, classes and work tables, Miss Johnson, Chicago.
Instructor in Elementary Hygiene and Home Care, of the Sick, Miss Frances Ott.
Chairmnn of Purchasing, Mrs. Ed Rieke
Assistants, Mrs. A.L.Johns and Mrs A.E.Fauve.
Chairman of Extension Work, Mrs. Grace W. Morris
(Churches, Schools, Stores and Factories, Organizations, Clubs and Fraternal Auxiliaries.)

Garment Department:
Chairman of Cutting, Mrs. Lew G. Ellingham
Chairmen of Assembling, Mrs. E.T.Williams, Mrs. Jack Kuhns, Mrs, Charles E. Bond.
Chairman of Sewing, Mrs. Allen Hamilton
A ssistants: Mesdames Fred Hoffman
Charles Lang
Herbert Lang
C.B.Bryson
Stranahan
Frank Bond
Hannah Mohr
George W. Beers
Ed Gilmartin
Hugh Keegan
F.E.Stouder

Offices:
Chapter Secretary, Dr. Jessie C. Calvin
Chairman of Membership, Mrs. A.E.Fauve
Clerk, Miss Mildred Rowan.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Purchasing
Civilian Relief
First Aid
Comforts for Fighting Men
Instruction to Women
HOSPITAL SUPPLIES WORKSHOP
Elevator
Extension
INFORMATION
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Hospital Garments
Surgical Dressings
Cutting
Assembling
Distributing
Workroom
Stockroom
Cutting
Instructions (worktables)
Inspection

FINAL ORGANIZATION OF WORKSHOP
FORT WAYNE CHAPTER, A.R.C.

Chairman of the Workshop, ... Mrs. Charles E. Bond
Vice Chairman..... Mrs. P.J.McDonald
Executive Secretary..... .....Miss Lavon Sperry
Clerk of the Workshop..... Miss Alice Knight
Mrs Ralph Feagles
Chairman of Surgical Dressings Department, Mrs. A L Jonns
Succeeded by .....Mrs. Will K. Noble
Custodian of Surgical Dressings Stock, Mrs.A.W.Pickard
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Mrs.Joe Rossell
Mrs. Ed.White
Chairman of House Committee.....Mrs.Frank I. Brown
Mrs. Alexandria Hudson
Chairman of Purchasing.....Mrs. Joseph Lohman
Assistant.....Mrs. Noble Olds
Chairman of Extension.....Mrs.Robert Harding
Chairman of Elevator Service..... Miss Ruth Levy
(Chairman of Knitting.....Mrs.H.Brooke Sale
(Chairman of Comfort Kits.....Mrs. Fred Hoffman
" " Comforts for Fighting Men, Mrs Sale.
Chairman of Registration.....Mrs. Noble Olds
Chairman of the Gift Shop.....Mrs.Ralph Feagles
Chairman of Junior Red Cross.....Dr. Jessie C. Calvin
Chairman of Membership .....Mrs. A.E.Fauve
Instructor in Home Care and Hygiene, Miss Frances Ott
Commandant of the Canteen.....Mrs. W.K.Noble
Commandant of the Motor Corps, ...Mrs. Ben Levy
Emergency Nurse, Chapter, ...Miss Meta Borneman
Secretary of the Chapter,.....Mrs.Walter Massey
Home Service, Executive Secretary....Miss Helen Lane
" " Field Work,.....Mrs. Shelton
" " Visitor.....Miss Margaret Smith
Committee on Awards..... .....Mrs. Charles E. Bond
Mrs. Laura G. Petzer
Dr. Jessie C. Calvin.
THE JANITOR.....Jacob Ahner

CHAPTER HOUSE COMMITTEES,
FORT WAYNE RED CROSS.

August 1917 to November 1917, Mrs. Anna Bond Brown, Chairman
Margaretta Thompson, Sec'y.

Mrs. John Dreibelbiss
" John Watt
" L.M.Williams
" Charles Dunkelberg
" Charles Hughes
" Ralph Feagles
" Bertha Freeman Hahn
" Alexandria Hudson
Miss Bessie Baldwin
" Edith Geake
" Ella Geake
" Grace Jackson

November 1917 to Close of Chapter House, Mrs. Alexandria Hudson
Chmn.

Mrs. John Watt
" E.M.Savercool
" Claude Bowers
" T.E.Ellison
" John Dreibelbiss
" Earl Marshbarger
" Isabelle McC.Peltier
" Georgia B. Lipsett
" Anne Armistead
" I.L.Walker
Miss Anna Lowry
" Edith Geake
" Marguerite Gross
" Marjorie Pickard
" Martha Pierce
" Jane Safford
" Emily Gillie
" Blackburn
" Marie Smith

"House Rule No.1"
" This Workshop is in the hands
" of the House Committee, for
"the purpose of cleaning, until
" 9:0'clock every morning;
" Also, from 12: M until 1:30
"P.M.; and from 5: to 7: P.M.;
"and Saturday afternoon from 12:M
"on. During these hours the
"House is not open for work; but
"if anyone needs to attend to n
"any special work in her own de-
"partment during these hours, she
"may, of course, do so; but
"must kindly refrain from inter-
"fering with the work of the
"House Committee or of the Jani-
" tor."

DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION.

"The EVENING SHOPKEEPERS"
Chairman, Miss Margaret
Hanna. Successors, Mrs. Edward
White, Mrs. James Shields.

Mrs A.J.Detzer
Dorothy Detzer
Donald Detzer
Marjorie Mahurin
Italia Evans
Mrs.O.F.Evans
Mary Evans
Pauline Saylor
Margaret Saylor
Mildred Saylor
Mildred Bowser
Madge Magee

Helen Magee
Mrs. Ed Lipsett
Mary Abel
Carrie Snively
Mary Harrah
Irma Hutzell
Mrs. Donald McDonald
Martha Pierce.

THE INFORMATION DESK.

Chairman, Mrs.N.D.Doughman; Successors, Mrs.Edward White,
Mrs Joe A.Rossell.

Mrs. W.C.Armistead
" Frank Bohn
" R.C.Blodgett
" Claude Bowers
" Will Diffe nderfer
" Thomas Ellison
" J.A.Grimes
" Edward Lipsett
" W.O.McBride
" Lee J. Ninde
" E.M.Severcool
" John Watt
Miss Dorothy Detzer
" Evelyn Certia
" Margery Erick

Miss Helen Lau
" Mabel Grubb
" Ola Marks
" Catherine Metzger
" Charlotte O'Connell
" Marion Puckett
" Marjorie Rohan
" Margery Study
" Margaret Wilding
" Margaret Smith
" Josephine Henderson
" Jane Safford
" Martha Pierce

THE GIFT SHOP GALAXY.

Chairman..... .....Mrs. Ralph Teagles

Lieutenants:
Miss Louise Pixley
" Claudia Donnelly
" Grace Hogan
Mrs. I.L.Walker
" L.F.Johnson
" William allace
" Will H. Rohan
" J.R.Meriwether
" Henry Jordan

Mrs. Ferd Bonter
" C.J.Loch
" Guy Bassett
" Robert Ward
" W.S.Morris
" Rufus Gallup
" A.A.Serva
" E.J.Rieke
" Will Noll
" H.C.Rockhill
" H.N.Quicksell
" W.E.Lipsett
" H.L.Somers
" Ed Seidel
" John Dreibelbiss
" Clifford Beall
" H. Hessler
" H.E.Allison
" Jessie H. Hill
" Courtney
" H.S.Tinkham
" A.W.Kettler
" W.Diffenderfer

Mrs. H.C.Schlatter
Miss Emma Rosenthal
" Mallie Johns
" Elsie Paul
" Luella Paul
" Marie Landenberger.

Chairmen of Gift Shop Sewing Circles, June 1918 to Jan.1919:
Mrs. Earl Harshbarger
" Herman Heisler
Miss Florence Griebel

Assistants:
Mrs. Irving Latz
" Abe Weinstein
" Clem Lomont
Miss Margaret Fisher
" Ruth Levy

Gift Shop Sewing Clubs:
"South Side Gift Shop Sewing Club."
"South Side Telephone Girls"

Twelve Girls from the "Elexor Club".
The Wednesday Luncheon Bridge Club.
The House Girls from the Y.W.C.A.
DA.R. Chapter, First Monday in each month.
The "K.N.T." Club.

THE RED CROSS MOTOR CORPS.

Laura H. Levy, Commandant
Agnes F. Taylor, Lieutenant

Misses.
Louella Borgman
Helen Eckart
Margaret Fisher
Ethel Doud
Phyllis Potter
Amy Menefee
Louise Pixley
Catherine Vosey
Marie Landenberger
Martha Pierce
Geraldine Bulson
Bessie Baldwin
Grace Barva
Irma Hutzell
Florence MacMillan
Ruth Levy
Nellie Henry
Helen Gilmartin
Mary Evans
Helen Ittenbach

Mesdames:
Chester Thieme
John Dreibelbiss
Thomas Newell
E.M.Savercool
W.H.Wallace
C.C.Fredericks
M.C.Norton
Robert Koerber
Charles Spanley
Paul Stevens
Austin Stults
William Griffin
Herbert Somers
George Henry
Adeline Reichard
W.J.Vesey
F.B.Beyer
Frank Sale
Harry Hogan
Joseph Freiburger
G.I.Latz
Herman Pollak
Sam Wolf.

THE ELEVATOR COMMITTEE.

First Team:
Miss Mary Evans, Chmn.
" Ruth Levy
" Marie Landenberger
" Ruth Gumpper
" Winifred Ellingham
" Mildred Bowser
" Margaret Fisher
Mrs. Daniel Milligan
" Harry Wallace
" Harry Hogan.

Miss Mabel Vernon
" Martha Thimme
" Hillis Drayer
" Germaine Romberg
" Columbia Romberg
" Helen Stillman
" Helen Bryson
" Helen Cavalier
" Katherine McCurdy
Mrs. T.J.Rodabaugh
" Frank Hogan
" Daniel Milligan
" Harry Wallace
" Arnold Tressalt
" Thomas Ewing
" Rauch

Re-organized Team:
Miss Ruth Levy, Chmn..
" Mary Evans
" Ruth Gumpper
" Marie Landenberger
" Helen Eckart
" Helen Lau
" Christine Shryock
" Evelyn Certia
" Louella Paul
" Jane Meriwether
" Marian Cutting
" Josephine Henderson
" Marjory Erick

OFFICIAL ROSTER of the FORT WAYNE CHAPTER, AMERICAN RED CROSS, FROM ORGANIZATION TO OCTOBER, 1919.

January, 1917 to October, 1917:
Chairman, B. Paul Mossman
Vice-Chairman, Mrs. Laura G. Detzer
Secretary, Dr. Jessie C. Calvin
Treasurer, Frank H. Cutshall
Committee Chairmen:
Membership, Mrs. A.E.Fauve
"First Aid" Classes, Dr. Miles F. Porter, sr.
"Committee of Fifteen", Mrs. A.L.Johns
Civilian Relief, Charles R. Lane.

October 1917 to October 1918-1919 (unchanged.
Chairman, B. Paul Mossman
Vice Chmn. Mrs. Laura G. Detzer
Secretary, Mrs. Walter Massey
Treasurer, Frank H. Cutshall
Committee Chairmen:
Membership, Mrs. A.E.Fauve
"First Aid", Dr. Miles F. Porter, sr.
"Committee of Fifteen", Mrs. Will K. Noble
Civilian Relief, Charles R. Lane, and Charles M. Niezer
Chapter House Workshop, Hospital Supplies:
Mrs. Charles E. Bond
Junior Red Cross, Dr. Jessie C. Calvin
"Comforts for Fighting Men", Mrs. H.Brooke Sale
Bureau Personnel, Mrs. Laura G. Detzer
Military Relief, Edward C. Miller
Canteen Service, Mrs. Will K. Noble, Commandant.
Conservation, Mrs. Henry Joseph
Gift Shop, Mrs. Ralph Feagles
Women's Motor Corps, Mrs. Ben Levy. Commandant.

(Note: This is the War Time Organization.)

The Board of Directors, Fort Wayne American Red Cross Chapter

1st Twelve: 1/1/17.	2nd Twelve: 1/10/17.	3rd Twelve: 1/10/18.
Rev. Henry B. Master	Mrs. Joel Welty	
" Arthur J. Folsom	Rev. G. Doege	Miss Irene Byron
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Mrs. James M. Barrett	" Robert Harding	" Charles R. Lane
Harry Hogan	" F.J.Kanaga	Rev. Father Delaney
Martin H. Luecke	Miss Gertrude Barber.	Miss Virginia Carey
		Mrs. Adrian E. Fauve

THE RED CROSS AUCTION.

Organization: (Gereral)
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Chairman of Gift Collecting Committee, Dr.C.L.Baird
Chairman of Auctioneers, Henry T. Stapleford
Chairman of Publicity, Bert J. Griswold
Treasurer, Frank H. Cutshall.

Organization: (Detail)
General Chairman, L.H.Moore
Executive Secretary, Miss Marceline Gerow
Assistant , Miss Irma Hutzell
Headquarters: Court Street, east side; Auction Booths, sidewalks all around the Court House.

Executive Committee:

James M. Barrett
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Martin H. Luecke
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Abe Ackerman
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A.H.Perfect.

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William H. Rohan, Chairman.
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Paul E. Johnson, First and Hailton National Bank
Amos E. Richey, Old National Bank
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Harley Somers, State Bank, of Sheldon, Indiana.

Auctioneers:
Henry T. Stapleford, Chief.

Volunteer Assistants:

J.A.Michaud, Berne, Ind.
J.E.Gillespie, Roanoke
E.D.Gillespie, "
Jeff .Liechty, Monroe, Ind.
A.R.McNamara, Auburn, Ind
ST.Johnson, Columbia City,
Goss and Goss, " "
Fred Reppert, Decatur
Capt. Morrison, "Any Old Place in the U.S.A."
H.R.Spurling, R.F.D.#5
W.H.Gogerty, Convoy, O.
George Griswold, City
H.H.High, Monroe, Ind,
O.W.Brown, City

Assistant Auctioneers, Continued.
John J. Baumgartner, Bluffton.
Reed and Sellars, Knox, Ind.
Charles M. Rugg, " "
Elmer Sturm, New Haven
Sylvester Rose, Monroeville
Charles Baber, Garrett
Sol Yoder, Huntertown
Aaron Amstutz, Harlan, Ind.
John Claxon, Churubusco.
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Walter C. Orr, Roanoke
Frank Pranger, New Haven
Phoebus and Simons, Fort Wayne
Herman Sigrist, " "
Henry Tobias, " "

Fred Stolte, Fort Wayne
Ed A. Orr, " "
John Dehner, Sheldon
A.M.Grady, Angola
H.W.Sintz, Delphos, Ohio.

Committee of Construction and care of Booths:
Chairmen: Marshall S. Mahurin and Charles R. Weatherhogg.

A.R.McCoy
Charles Bowen
George B. Niezer
Fred Rump
Henry Hilgeman
H.C.Hockemeyer
J.O.Brown
Frank Gilmartin
William Hagerman
John Hagerman
Michael Kinder
Paul.Kinder
H.Brooke Sale
John Suelzer, jr.
John Klett
F.W.Edmunds

Committee in Charge of Stock:
Chairman, A.C.Aurentz.

H.L.Somers
Robert Koerber
James L. Shields
A.W.Heit
H.P.Fletcher
Harry C. Baals
C.D.Nolan
E.Frank Miller
Harry Hattersley
C.A.Spanley
D.F.Waterman
H.C.Pequignot
C.B.Muhler
Fred H. McCulloch
F.W.Edmunds
F.B.Coppock

Committee in Charge of Trucking
Chairman, E.A.Crane.

Charles Bowen
John D. Banning
R.E.Peters
A.A.Niebergall
Will Ortlieb

Committee on Arrangements:
Stephen A. Callahan
Chairman
Gaylord, Morton,
Secretary.

Committee for Canvass for Donations:
Paul E. Johnson, Director
Deferred Classification Men.

Red Cross Auction, Continued.

Speeches in Township School Centers,
Made by:
L.H.Moore
W.C.Schwier
Judge J.H.Aiken
Stephen A. Callahan
Frank A. Emrick
Judge Sol A. Wood

Committee of Entertainment:
D.F.Waterfield, Chmn.
C.P.Milliken
Charles Meigs
W.Page Yarnelle.

Committee on Decorations: Charles L. Biederwolf, Chairman.
WmC. Schwier, for Allen County
Charles H. Hart, for Northern Indiana Traction Co.
George L Smith, for Municipal Light and Power Works.
C.H.Bales, for Steel-Myers Co.
Louis Dessauer, for Wolf and Dessauer Co.
E.M.Clawson, for IndianaFurniture Co.
George H. Oilar, for D.N.Foster Furniture Co.
Jacob Tepper, for Tepper's Bros.Co.
Theodore Frank sr., for Frank DryGoods Co.
E.C.Rurode, jr., for Rurode Dry Goods Co.

Captains for the Trucking Teams:

A.W.Young
Charles A. Rastetter
L.M.Bane
Stephen Weber
A.H.Schaaf
Eugene Hattersley
C.J.Schoo
A.J.Kruepper
W.H.North
Phil Glockner
Herbert Miller
Herman Pollak
Robert Carlson
Arnold Curdes
Carl J. Getz
C.S.Kitch
George Fishering
E.F.Brinkman
Clint R. Willson
L.M.Lebensberger

Trucking Volunteers:
from S.F.Bowser and Co.
Wayne Oil Tank and Pump Co.
County Commissioners
Steele-Myers Co.
Rurode Dry Goods Co.
Wolf and Dessauer's
Tepper Bros.
Fred Breimyer
The Emporium
Seavey Hardware Co.

Trucking Volunteers, from
Wayne Knitting Mills Co.
Heiny's Grocery
The Loos Grocery
Fort Wayne Drug Co.
Fishack-Ellenwood Co.
Perfection BiscuitnCo.
Craig Biscuit Co.
Fort Wayne Builders Supply
Jacobs Music House
Wilkins Bros.Packing Co.
City Trucking Co.
Fort Wayne Box Co.
A. Haberstock
Hoosier Stores
Beyer Bros.Grocery Co.
Protective Electrical Supply Co.
Ideal Auto Mfg.Co.
Porter Construction Co.
Klinger Trucking Co.
Pape Furniture Co.
Berghoff Products Co.
Gilmartin and Sons
Montgomery CashnGrocery
J.H.Welch and Sons
Gerding and Aumann Bros.
Lenz Bros.

Red Cross Auction, continued.

Volunteer Trucking,
from: Otto Strodel
Henry Hilgeman
Fort Wayne Rendering Co.
Eckart Packing Co.
Pioneer Coal Co.
R.D.Castle
A.W.Mills
Louis Novitsky
Orville Brunner
John Agenbroad

Volunteer Trucking, from:
A.C Borgman &Son
Brown Trucking Co.
Fort Wayne Transfer Co.
Altschul and Co.
Clark Fruit Co.
J.T.Johnson Co.
S.Baum & Co.
White Fruit House
Many Young Women.

Captains of Cash Donations in the Industrial Plants:
Howell C. Rockhill, Rolling Mills
James H. Haberly, Fort Wayne Engineering and Mfg.Co.
A.W.Pickard, Fort Wayne Foundry and Machine Works
J.M.Landenberger, Indiana Road Machine Works
W.C.Rastetter, Rastetter and Son
George H. Van Arnam, Van Arnam Mfg.Co.
E.A.Barnes, General Electric Company
S.F.Bowser, S.F.Bowser, and Co. Inc.
F.J.Thieme, Wayne Knitting Mills
F.E.Mills, Wayne Oil Tank and Pump Co.
A.S.Bond, Packard Piano Co.
E.D.Farr, Boss Mfg.Co.
George A. Jacobs, Dudlo Mfg.Co.
E.P.Ruf, Fort Wayne Box Co.
C.J.Schoo, Corrugated Paper Co.
Jules Simon, S.M.Foster Co.
John Thieme, Thieme Bros. Silk Knitting Mills
F.H.Beebe, Western Gas Construction Co.
Heeley Link, Basx Foundry and Machine Co.

Receiving Committee, Livestock Department,
W.D.Henderson and Will Johnson.
Care and Health of Livestock, H.C.Myers.

Sales of Livestock, Will Johnson and Dr. G.W.Gillie
Advance Sales, W.D.Henderson.
Poultry Department, C.G.Pape.

TOWNSHIP RECEIVING STATIONS: and CUSTODIANS:

Aboite, Hugh McFadden
Adams, H.E.Purvis, Lee Tustison
Cedar Creek, Lawrence Klopfenstein
Eel Riv., Edgar Johnson, Herbert Sage
Jackson, Oscar Baumgart, Jerry Grabner
Jefferson, Ernest Lamont
Lafayette, Victor Powell
Lake, Frank Corbett, M.E.Bellamy
Madison, Ed F. Koeneman
Marion, Andy Bubb
Maumee, John R. Yaggy, Ray Cairns
Milan, Ralph Irving
Monroe, Charles Whittern
Morris Rose
Perry, Burd Sloffer
Pleasant, Merle Woods and
Joe Sorg
St Joseph, Hale Ashley
Scipio, B.P.Dorsey
Springfield, Ray Reichelderfer
Washington, Ernest Warner
Wayne, Charles Stuck, and
Henry T. Stapleford.

Red Cross Auction, continued.

District Captains of Collecting in the Townships:

Clem Borg
William Benzinger
Joseph Barva
Charles Shearer
Charles Crabbs
Clyde U. Smith
J.C.Fell
John Daffron
Samuel B. Arnold
James C. Clark
Joseph Sorg
Clinton Hatch
George Campbell
Clarence Scherer
Erma C. Woods
John Dehner
Harry Bander
John E. Stewart
Asha Bruman
William Hall
E.E.Paff
B.O.Benjamin
A.M.Ringwalt
Dorwin Yerkes
Albert Smith
John H. Harper
Amiel Busselman
C.A.Smith
Harvey Miller
Jacob Amstutz
Ray Souters
Irvin L. Klopfenstein
Ray Knisely

Clyde L. Fordham
P.M.Griffin
Eugene Federspiel
Frank Crabill
Gilbert Shaffer
Waldo Barkley
H.C.White
Leonard Mowrey
J. Bauserman
Clarence Roy
Saul Ternet
Maurice Grodrian
John J. Tibbot
John McMaken
A.W.Trier
Arthur Becker
J.C.Webber
Eldred Hollopeter
Ray Botterf
Merle Scott
John Koomler
William Harrison
William Bucker
Justin W. Rorick
Clarence Lomont
Jesse Bandelier
Clifford Nail
Glen Carpenter
Roy Fatlor
Lester Garman
Morley Malcolm
George Tilden

COMMITTEE of WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT, MRS.R.W.FOWLER, GEN'L CHMN.

Mrs. Will H. Noll, Capt. of Catholic Church Teams.
Mrs.B.J.Howley, St Patrick's
" H.J.Andrews, Cathedral
" Nehrer, St.Peter's
" E.J.Lanternier, St Andrews
" Oscar Schlebecker, St Joseph's
" George Brossard, Precious Blood
" Frank Gilmartin, Capt Parochial Schools, Catholic.
Miss Loretta, Heit, St Paul's
" Matilda Eggeman, St Mary's
Mrs. Henry Moellering and Mrs. W.S.Baade, Capts Lutheran Schools
Mrs. Stahlhut, Trinity Evangelical Luth. School
" August Horstmeyer, Emanuel Lutheran "
" Scheele, Concordia Lutheran "
" Edward Klein, Zion's Lutheran "
" Frank Rump, Emmaus Lutheran "

Red Cross Auction, continued.

PUBLIC SCHOOL TEAM CAPTAINS:
Mrs. Lyman T. Rawles, Clay School
Mrs. Charles G. Beall, Franklin School
Mrs. Frank Rhoades, Rudisill School
Mrs. Arthur Twining, South Wayne School
Mrs. Frank Kroeff, Lakeside School
Mrs. Will H. Rohan, Hoagland School
Mrs. Claude Bowers, Adams School
Mrs. H L Askew, Washington School
Mrs. Ralph Clark, Jefferson School
Miss Elizabeth Porter, Harmar School
Miss Ruth Leedy, Hanna School
Miss Bessie Mannix, McCulloch School
Mrs. Nathan Rothschild, High School (Central)
Mrs. J.G. Schwarz, Hamilton School
Mrs. John E. Ross, Miner School
Mrs. Buesching, Bloomingdale School
Mrs W.S. Morris, James H. Smart School.

Captain of Department Store teams, Mrs. Will H. McKinnie
Captain of Girls' Industrial Teams, Miss Linda McKinnie

Committees in charge of Booths: Chairmen:
Flowers, Mrs. Harry G. Hogan
Lunch, Mrs. James Shields
Refreshments, Miss Mary Evans
Receiving Gifts, Mrs. S.M. Bowlby
Trucking Department, Mrs. B.H. Barnett

Booths in charge of Men's Committees:
Groceries and Meats, George B. Niezer, Chairman
A.C. Aurentz
Otto Strodel
Charles Bowen
Dr. E.D. Leach
Herman Nielsberg
Furniture, Charles L. Biederwolf, Chairman
A.C. McCoy
Jack Banning
Oscar Feellinger
Curiosity Shop, Robert Koerber, Chairman
Arthur E. Smith
A.F. Dorsey
Cigars and Tobacco, Henry Pequignot, Chairman
Charles A. Spanley
Restaurant, Guy Kite, Chairman

Dry Goods, James L. Shields, Chairman
Harry P. Fletcher
C.B. Muhler
R. Earl Peters
Frank Gilmartin
HARDWARE, Charles D. Nolan, Chairman
H.L. Somers
Julian Franke

Red Cross Auction, continued.

Music, Clinton R. Willson and George Jacobs, jr., Chairmen.

Refreshments, Anthony W. Heit, Chairman
E.A.Crane
Will Ortlieb

Miscellaneous, C.A.Niebergall, Chairman
Louis Novitsky
J.I.Toy
Harry F. Kennerk
A.T.Bailey

Committee of Tabulating, Appraisal, and Receiving.

Mrs. S.M.Bowlby
Mrs. Ogden Pierce, jr.
Mrs. John E. Ross
Mrs. J.E.Wilkinson
Mrs. A.G.Emrick
Mrs. McCausland
Mrs R.L.Magee
Mrs. Martene
Mrs. Louis Auger
Mrs. B.H.Barnett
Mrs. Ermin Ruf
Miss Mary Fry
Miss Marjorie Kilgore

Firms Who Donated the Lumber for the Booths:

Hoffman Brothers
Perrine, Armstrong & Co.
E.Gilmartin & Sons
Jacob Klett and Son
Fort Wayne Lumber Co.
Fort Wayne Builders' Supply Co.
Rhinesmith, Simonson, Evans Co.
Henry France
Charles Hillker and Son
Wildwood Lumber Co.

Contractors who paid for all the labor of building the booths:

William H. Wiegman
H.C.Hockemeyer
J.O.Brown
Henry Hilgeman
R.P.Kinder
C.Wermuth
Fred Rump
James M. Henry
Buesching and Hagerman
H. Lantz
F. Grote
William Griebel
John Hoffman
E. Fuhrman

Merchants who closed their stores on the last night of the Auction, Saturday, September 14, 1918.

The Rurode DryGoods Co.
The Frank DryGoods Co.
G.W.Gates & Co.
The Steele-Myers Co.
The Wolf and Dessauer Dep't Store.
The Tepper Bros.Co.
The Patterson-Fletcher Co.
The Shields Clothing Co.
The Lehman Clothing House
The Golden Furnishing Store.
The Tod Hat Store
The Grand Leader
Charles A. Meigs
H.H.Rogers
The Banks-Coleman Company.

THE NORTHERN INDIANA WAREHOUSE, ORGANIZATION AND WORKERS.

Director, Mrs Adrian E. Fauve.

Tributary Chapters:

Adams Co.
Blackford Co.
Carroll Co.
DeKalb Co.
Fulton Co.
Grant Co.
Huntington Co.
Jasper Co.
Jay Co.
Kosciusko Co.
LaGrange Co.
LaPorte Co.
Marshall Co.
Miami Co.
Newton Co.
Noble Co.
Pulaski Co.
St Joseph County
Starke Co.
Steuben Co.
Valparaiso Co.
Wabash Co.
Wells Co.
White Co.
Whitley Co.
Fort Wayne
Crown Point
East Chicago
Elkhart
Gary
Goshen
Hammond
Indiana Harbor
Logansport
Michigan City
Mishawaka
Whiting

Warehouse Departments:

Surgical Dressings
Mrs.E.J.Rieke
Mrs. Frank E. Stouder
Mrs.William Burger
Mrs.J.R.Meriwether
Mrs.Florence Kemp Howe

Garment Department
Mrs. Ralph Magee
Mrs.Hugh Keegan
Mrs. Harry Retzger
Mrs. E.A.Keegan
Mrs. A.Beuke

Sewing: Mrs. E.C.Miller
Mrs. George DeWald
Mrs.P.J.Dixon
Mrs.William Bostick
Mrs.G.W.McCaskey
Mrs. William Beck

Knitting:
Mrs. Julia Faye Randall
Mrs. Jack Cavalier
Mrs Rothschild, jr.
Mrs. George Siebold
Mrs. G.I.Latz

Unpacking:
Mrs. Ford Urbahns
Miss Alice MaKeehan
Mr. Alec Dixon

Packing:
Mrs. W.S.Morris
Mrs. Frank M. Randall
Mrs. Ed J. Rieke

Checking:
Mrs. A.E.Fauve
Mrs Florence Madden

Shipping:
Mr. E.C.Miller

NORTHERN INDIANA WAREHOUSE WORKERS.
(Not listed as insoectors)

Miss Julia Alexander
Mrs.M.Apfelbaum
Mrs. Sherman Archer
Mrs. Bornschein
Miss Gertrude Beuke
Miss Alice Bensman
Mrs. Ellis Branson
Mrs.William Bostick
Mrs. Hudson Boyer
Mrs. John Bolsy
Mrs. Frank Bougher
Miss Constance Bogart
Dr. Carrie Banning
Mrs. Richard Ball
Mrs. Gaston Baihle
Mrs. James B. Crankshaw
Miss Base
Miss Helen Cavalier
Mrs. Eric Crull
Mrs. Allan S. Courtney
Mrs. Ed Dalman
Mrs. H. Duell
Mrs.Will Diffenderfer
Miss Marie Evarde
Miss Mary Evans
Mrs. E.G.Emrick
Mrs. C.W.Fulton
Miss Anne Foster
Miss Sara Foster
Miss Carrie Ferguson
Mrs.Frysinger
Mrs. Mary D. Edson
Mrs.Grubb
Miss Grubb
Miss Gross
Miss Grace Houk
Miss Gertrude Happy
Mrs. Frank Hilgeman
Miss Hattersley
Mrs. J.B.Harper
Mrs. G.W.Hendee
Mrs. C.B.Hughes
Mrs. Charles Horton
Mrs. Van Housen
Mrs. John Knott
Mrs. Walter Kent
Mrs. E.H.Kilbourne
Mrs. Max Krauss
Mrs. Edwin H. Kirkland
Miss Margaret Anne Keegan
Miss Corinne Leedy
Miss Helen Lau
Mrs. O.E.Lindeman
Mrs. J.W.Littlejohn
Mrs. Martin Luecke
Mrs. Emma Loveland
Mrs. Hannah Mohr
Mrs. Ralph Magee
Mrs. Charles McKeehan
Mrs. Robert Millard
Miss Catherine Metzger
Miss Emma Mayer
Mrs H.B.Master
Miss Martin
Mrs. Mac Millen
Mrs. McKay
Mrs. Winnie Murray
Mrs. Charles Meek
Mrs. Chaska Meyers
Miss Jane Meriwether
Miss Lena Metch
Mrs. Niebergall
Miss Hilda Pranger
Mrs. J.W.Purman
Mrs. P.P.Pierce
Mrs. A.L.Randall
Miss Phyllis Randall
Mrs. Rothschild, sr.
Mrs. Nellie Robbins
Mrs. Margaret Rollins
Mrs. John Ross
Mrs. Calvin Rieman
Mrs. George Siebold
Mrs. Louis Stiefel
Mrs. J.G.Sch warz
Mrs. Sankey
Mrs. Henry Strauss
Miss Sowers
Mrs. C.A.Spanley
Mrs.Arthur E. Smith
Mrs. E.F.Stephan
Mrs. Fred Stahl
Mrs. Austin Stults
Mrs. E.G.Trenkley
Mrs. Tucker
Mrs. Tucker, jr.
Mrs. Thacker
Mrs. Sam R. Taylor
Mrs.Charles Tyger
Mrs. Fred Vordermark
Mrs. H.S.Voorhees
Miss Margaret Vesey
Mrs. H.M.Williams
Mrs. G.F.Wise
Mrs. C.H.Worden
Mrs. Zurbuch

SALVAGE REPORT OF FORT WAYNE CHAPTER, AMERICAN RED CROSS.

Surplus Yarn Sold	$104.47
" Pearl Buttons Sold	$ 56.88
Closing out Gift Shop	$2955.30
Materials Returned to Cleveland Chapter	$7564.89
Junk	$ 20.18
Total	$10701.72

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BY-LAWS OF FORT WAYNE CHAPTER, AMERICAN RED CROSS.

Article I, Members.

The membershipof the Fort Wayne Chapter shall consist of all the members of the American National Red Cross resident within Allen County, Indiana.

Article II, Board of Directors.

All powers of government, direction and management conferred upon the Fort Wayne Chapter by the Central Committee at Washington, except as hereinafter provided, and not inconsistent with the provisions of these By-Laws, shall be lodged in the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors shall consist of(36) thirty-six members and the following ex-officio members:

The Mayor of Fort Wayne; the President of the Commercial Club (now Chamber of Commerce); the President of the Allen County Medical Association; the President of the Visiting Nurse League; the President of the Associated Charities; the Secretary of the Y.W.C.A.; the Secretary of the Y.M.C.A.; the Secretary of the Board of Health; and the Librarian of the Public Library. The Remaining thirty-six members(36) shall be divided into three classes of twelve each. At the first meeting held January 15, 1917, there shall be elected thirty-six(36) Directors, the first twelve of whom shall hold office until October 31st, 1917; The second twelve shall hold office until October 31st, 1918; and the third twelve shall hold office until October 31st, 1919. All Directors shall hold office until their successors are elected.

At each Annual Meeting twelve Directors shall be elected, to succeed Directors whose terms of office expires, to hold office for three years and until their successors are elected. The Board of Directors shall have power to fill vacancies on the Board.

Article III, Officers.

The officers of the Chapter shall consist of a Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, and such others as the Chaptermay from time to time elect. Officers as well as Directors shall be elected at the Annual Meeting.

Article IV, Executive Committee.

An Executive Committee, consisting of (5) five Directors and including the Chairman and the Secretary, which shall have charge of the Chapter in the interim between sessions of the Board, shall be appointed by the Chairman.

Article V. Duties of Chairman.

The Chairman of the Chapter shall preside at all meetings of the Chapter, Board of Directors, and the Executive Committee, and perform such other duties as may be relevant to the position of Chairman, upon authorization of the Executive Committee.

Article VI. Duties of Vice Chairman.

The Vice Chairman shall perform the duties of Chairman in the absence of that officer.

Article VII. Duties of Secretary.

The Chapter Secretary shall:

1- Issue notice of all meetings, keep a record of meetings and perform such other duties as are incident to his or her office.

2- Prepare and forward to the National Secretary on or before November 15th, an annual report of the operations for the fiscal year.

3- Keep a roll of the membership of the Chapter and have charge of the collection of such dues, unless the collection of such dues is assigned to some other officer by the Executive Committee.

4- Send to the National Secretary, Washington, D.C. on or before the fifth day of every month, a report of then names and addresses of all new members enrolled and old members who have renewed during the preceding month, together with a cash remittance of the total amount of all moneys received for dues, less the proportion of said dues which the Central Committee at Washington shall, from time to time authorize the Chapter to retain.

5- Pay the Treasurer such portion of such dues as the Central Committee (at Washington) from time to time shall authorize the Chapter to retain.

Article VIII. Duties of Chapter Treasurer

The Chapter Treasurer shall:

1- Receive and disbursefunds belonging to the Chapter, in accordance with the regulations of the National Society.

2- The Chapter Treasurer shall make reports and remittances to the State Board and National Treasurer as may be required from time to time by the By-Laws of the National organization, or the regulations of the Central Committee.

Article IX. Chairman and Secretary, Joint Duties.

If there shall be created, by the National Society, within the Chapter jurisdiction, an Institutional Member of the Red Cross, the Chairman and Secretary shall serve as ex-officio members of the Red Cross Emergency Relief Committee of the Institutional Member.

Article X. Committees.

The Chairman, with the approval of the Executive Committee, shall annually appoint a committee to, have charge of all Military Relief operations of the Chapter, to be known as the Section for Military Relief; a committee to have charge of all Civilian Relief; a committee to audit the books and accounts of the Treasurer for the fiscal year; and a nominating committee, and such

other standing and special committees as in the judgment of the Executive Committee may be necessary.

Article XI. Fiscal Year.

The fiscal year shall include twelve months, ending October thirty-one(31).

Article XII. Meetings.

The Annual Meeting of the Chapter shall be held in the city of Fort Wayne during the month of October, at wh which meeting officers and directors for the ensuing year shall be elected.

Special meetings of the Chapter shall be called by the Chairman, or upon the written request of five(5) members.

Article XIII. Delegate to Nat'l Annual Meetg.

The Chapter Delegates to the Annual Meeting at Washington shall be designated by the Chairman.

Article XIV. Chapter Activities.

In event of the occurrence of war, the Fort Wayne Chapter shall act upon special instructions from the National War Relief Board. In the event of any great calamity abroad it shall act upon instructions from the International Relief Board. In the event of the occurrence of any great calamity within the United States, it shall act upon the instructions of the National Relief Board.

The principal function of the Fort Wayne Chapter of the Red Cross shall be to respond ~~quickly~~ promptly and vigorously to any appeal by the National Red Cross in time of war, or for those suffering from the effects of great calamity at home and abroad.

In the event of a serious local disaster, the Chapter shall take prompt and active relief measures in the name of the Red Cross, pending the receipt of advices from the National or Divisional Director, provided that the Red Cross Emergency Relief Committee referred to in Article IX of these By-Laws, shall be in charge of the Red Cross relief work until the arrival of the National or Divisional Director, or the receipt of instructions from them.

The Chapter shall assist the Central Committee in inaugurating such current activities as the said Committee shall from time to time recommend to the Chapters.

The Chapter shall communicate to the Central Committee any desire to engage in philanthropic activities consistent with the purposes of the Red Cross, but not indicated in the published regulations of the Red Cross.

Article XV. Classification and Disposition of Funds.

All Moneys received by the Chapter shall be classified and assigned as directed in the published regulations of the Red Cross.

The portion of the dues received from members of h the National organization who are resident in Fort Wayne, which the Central Committee at Washington permits the Chapter to retain, may be expended for any current needs, including the securing of memberships.

Article XVI. Quorum.

Five(5) Directors shall constitute a quorum for directors' meetings, and all acts shall be supported by a majority vote of the Directors present.

Ten per cent(10%) of the members of the Chapter shall constitute a quorum for business of the Chapter, and all acts shall be supported by a majority.

Article XVII. Notice of Meetings.

Written or printed notices of all meetings of the Board of Directors and of the Annual and special meetings, shall be mailed to the last known post-office address of each constituent member.

Article XVIII. Voting by Proxy.

Voting by proxies shall not be allowed at any meeting of the Chapter, or at any meeting of the Board of Directors.

Article XIX. Amendment.

The By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds(2/3) vote of the Board of Directors present at any regular Board meeting.

Signed:

Committee on By-Laws,

Frank H. Cutshall

Wm.H.W.Peltier

Jessie C. Calvin,

Chairman.

Adopted January 15th, 1917.

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